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THE PRESENT TIME

COMMEMORATING THE

ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY

OF

PRINCETON LODGE No. 38, F. & A. M.

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DEDICATION

The bulwark of any Lodge is its Past Masters. In this respect Princeton Lodge No. 38 has been especially blessed. It was they who pioneered and bore the brunt of the battle; in the days gone by they led the way when the road was beset with difficulties and dangers, when the future seemed uncertain and discouraging; it was they who labored on through fair weather and foul and kept the Craft afloat and headed in the right direction. They gave unstintingly of thought and effort, and for this unselfish and devoted leadership the present-day members are deeply grateful. And so it is altogether fitting and proper that this history should be, and is, fraternally dedicated to the brethren who have served as Worshipful Masters through the years.

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Compiled from the Lodge Minutes, Archives of
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HARRY E. HUTCHINSON

Past Master

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ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE

WILLIAM H. RHODES

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WALTER B. FOSTER

GEORGE J. KNOWLES

CHARLES G. OSGOOD

Program

Opening of Lodge

Reception of M. W. Joseph H. Gick, Grand Master

Pledge of Allegiance to Our Flag

Singing—National Anthem, Last Stanza

Invocation—R. W. A. Boylan Fitz-Gerald, Grand Chaplain

Greetings—William H. Rhodes, Worshipful Master

Musical Selection—"The Nobles," accompanist, Jack Palmer

Excerpts of Minutes of Last 100 Years—

M. W. Harry E. Hutchinson, P. G. M., Historian

Musical Selection—"The Nobles"

Remarks by Grand Lodge Officers

Musical Selection—"The Nobles"

Address—M. W. Joseph H. Gick, Grand Master

Introduction of Grand Lodge Officers—

R. W. Frank B. Luker, Grand Marshal

Singing—"America," Last Stanza

Closing of Lodge

Benediction—R. W. R. Douglas Badgely, Grand Chaplain

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BICKFORD BUILDING, Second Lodge Room

THOMSON HALL, Third Lodge Room

HARRY E. HUTCHINSON, Grand Master 1937

WILLIAM H. RHODES, W. M. 1956

SCHAFER BUILDING, Present Lodge Room

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Whether it be the grandfather clock on the stair landing, with its slow "tick tock, tick tock," admonishing the young swain to "take your time, take your time"; or Big Ben on the mantel, saying "take her, take her, take her," Time marches on at an even but relentless pace, and, before we realize it, the days become years and the years pass into history. Two Lodges, both having a very brief existence, preceded the present Lodge, as noted elsewhere. Princeton Lodge No. 38 came into being as a duly warranted Lodge on January 9, 1856, and, while mortals should look ahead and plan for the future, it is well to pause and recall the labors and events of days gone by and thereby glean inspiration and courage for the future. And so, having paused and spent considerable time in reminiscing, and much effort in searching through the archives of No. 38 and of the Grand Lodge, we are gratified and pleased to present this record of Freemasonry in Princeton from Revolutionary Days through almost two centuries from 1765 to the year of this Anniversary.

Many influential men of the Revolutionary period were Masons, deeming it a privilege and an honor to be known as such. Masonic tenets and principles, undoubtedly, motivated and guided these brethren in their zealous labors during the critical and formative period of our founding as a new nation.

In those early days Lodges were few in number and far apart, and meetings, in many instances, were occasional "called" gatherings of Masons known to reside within a reasonable radius of the "call." These gatherings, or meetings, were primarily for fraternal fellowship and communion and, no doubt, were held at the home of the Worshipful Master or some other member. However, transcending these "called" gatherings, the members of the Craft residing in or near "Prince Town" had the urge to assemble as a duly constituted Lodge and labor Masonically in accordance with the ancient rules and regulations of the Fraternity, and formal petition was made to Jeremiah Gridley, Grand Master of St. John's Grand Lodge of Massachusetts (predecessor of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts) for a Warrant or Charter. Their desire became a reality, as recorded in the following pages.

EARLY HISTORY

The earliest record of Freemasonry in Princeton is the following petition to Jeremiah Gridley, Grand Master of St. John's Grand Lodge of Massachusetts (predecessor of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts) from members of the Craft residing in Princeton and vicinity at that time.

Prince Town, New Jersey
September 24, 1765

Right Worshipfull.

Whereas we, the subscribers, being desirous of being formed into a regular and lawful Lodge, do now make application to you for a Warrant to Constitute the same, also to appoint the first Master which I nominate, Richard Stockton of the said place; Pray let it be sent by the bearer of this, safely enclosed, and the said bearer will satisfy you for the same.

N.B. Let it be nominated St. John's. Pray Sir, (if you can conveniently), empower us to give Warrants for the Constituting of Lodges.

RICHARD STOCKTON	AUGUSTUS DIGGENS
OLIVER ELLSWORTH	THEODRICK ROMEYN
SOVEREIGN SYBRANDT	BENJAMIN HEINS
SOLOMON KELLOGG	

To Jeremiah Gridley, Esqr.

The above application for a Lodge at Prince Town (Princeton) was favorably received and, on October 25, 1765, a Charter was granted. The absence of any Lodge records leaves us in total darkness as to where meetings, if any, were held; what work was done; or how long it existed. Unfortunately, all records pertaining to it were lost when the old Masonic Temple in Boston was destroyed by fire on April 6, 1864. If any meetings were held, in all probability they were held at Morven, the home of the Worshipful Master named in the application.

The loss of the original document by fire prevents the satisfying of our curiosity as to who wrote this petition and nominated its first Master, or who the bearer of it may have been. This Lodge, evidently, was short-lived, for neither Brother McGregor, Grand Historian, nor Brother Tatsch (author of *Freemasonry in the Thirteen Colonies*), in their researches, discovered any record showing Masonic activity in Princeton from 1765 to 1813. It was the third Lodge established in New Jersey up to that time and before the organization of our own Grand Lodge on December 18, 1786.

From the *History of Freemasonry in New Jersey* (1937), by David McGregor, Grand Historian of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, we quote:

"Richard Stockton, the first Master, was of the fourth generation of the Stockton family in New Jersey. His great-grandfather, Richard

Stockton, came from Durham, England, and settled at Burlington in 1692. He was a Quaker. His eldest son Richard (2d) moved to Princeton in 1696 and settled on an extensive tract of land purchased from William Penn, where he built a mansion known to all succeeding Generations as MORVEN, to which Richard (4th), the subject of this sketch, succeeded after the death of his father, Judge John Stockton, one of the founders of the College at Princeton, from which Richard (4th) was graduated in 1748.

"He was appointed a member of the Provincial Council in 1768 and Judge of the Supreme Court of New Jersey in 1774. When the relations between the colonies and the mother country became estranged, he took a firm stand on the American side and was elected one of the Representatives of New Jersey to the General Congress in Philadelphia, where he took an active part in the deliberations of that historic Assembly, which resulted in the issuance of the Declaration of Independence. His name was made immortal as one of the Signers of that great charter of American liberty.

"During the occupation of Princeton by the British forces, his home was pillaged by the Hessians and he was later betrayed into their hands. His close confinement and rough treatment as a prisoner of war so undermined his health that he died at Morven on February 28, 1781, at the age of fifty. Although an active member of the Presbyterian Church, his body was laid to rest in the Quaker burying ground, with nothing to mark the spot. When he became a Freemason, or in what lodge, we are not informed, but he was evidently a Master Mason prior to the filing of this petition, and may have been a member of Temple Lodge No. 1 of Elizabeth Town (Elizabeth), this being the Lodge nearest to Princeton and the second oldest in New Jersey."

Concerning the other petitioners, we have brief records of only two. Oliver Ellsworth, the second to sign the petition for a Lodge at Prince Town, was a native of Connecticut, being born at Windsor on April 29, 1745; he entered Yale College in 1762, but two years later transferred to Princeton, from which he was graduated in 1766. He was therefore not only an undergraduate, but apparently under age when he signed the petition. He served in various capacities in his native State and in the Continental Congress, and, on March 4, 1796, was appointed by President Washington as the third Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. In 1799 President John Adams appointed him as Envoy Extraordinary to the French Republic; but ill health while on the Continent forced him to resign both offices in December, 1800, and he later returned to his native State, where he died on November 26, 1807, deeply lamented throughout the State and Nation.

Another noted personage among the signers of the Princeton petition was Theodrick (Dirck) Romeyn, who was born at Hackensack, New Jersey, on January 12, 1744, the son of Nicholas and Rachel (Vreeland) Romeyn. He was a student at the College of New Jersey when he signed, and was graduated from it shortly afterward. In 1766 he was licensed



RICHARD STOCKTON
WORSHIPFUL MASTER
1765

to be a minister of the Dutch Reformed Church. From 1766 until 1775 he was pastor at Marbletown, Rochester and Wawarsing, in New York, and from 1775 until 1784 at Hackensack and SchaaLENburgh, in New Jersey, where he served during the Revolutionary War. In 1784 he accepted a call to the church at Schenectady, New York, where his most important work was done during the succeeding twenty years. He took an active interest in educational matters and founded an academy at Schenectady in 1785, which became the nucleus of Union College. He declined to be the first president of this institution, but he was truly its father. In 1797 Dr. Romeyn was President of General Synod. He was also Trustee of Queen's College, now Rutgers University, from 1785 until his death, and received the degree of D.D. from that College in 1789. He was appointed Lector of Theology by New Brunswick Seminary in 1792 and Professor of Theology in 1797. He was eminent for his scholarly attainments and eloquence, and was held in high esteem. He died at Schenectady, New York, on April 16, 1804, and was buried in Vale Cemetery in that city.

In connection with the mention of this Lodge of Revolutionary Days, we retract the statement appearing in the brief history we issued on February 10, 1930, asserting that Dr. John Witherspoon was a Mason. In the March, 1928, number of *The Master Mason* there was published an article on "Was Dr. Witherspoon a Mason?", by David McGregor, Grand Historian of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey. Brother McGregor was indefatigable and most painstaking in his researches into all known archives, and from his article we quote: "In the course of my researches into the early history of Masonry in New Jersey, I have not as yet been able to find any evidence, direct or implied, that would indicate that the Rev. John Witherspoon, D.D., President of Princeton College 1768-1794, and Signer of the Declaration of Independence, was a Freemason, much as I, a New Jersey Scot like himself, am desirous of including his name among the notables of New Jersey, during the Revolutionary period, who were Freemasons. He has been and still is claimed as a member of the Fraternity, but the basis upon which this claim was originally made will not stand the test of critical examination, no matter how much it is surrounded with circumstantial detail."

Following an interval of 48 years from 1765 to 1813, during which there was neither Lodge meetings nor Masonic activity of record, the Craft, for the second time, appeared on the Masonic horizon in 1813. At the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, held on November 9, 1813, the following petition was presented by Master Masons residing in or near the town of Princeton:

*To the Most Worshipful Grand Master,
the Right Worshipful the Grand Officers
and Brethren of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey*

The petition of the subscribers humbly sheweth that your petitioners are Free and Accepted Master Masons and are at present and have been members of regular lodges; that having the prosperity of the Fraternity

at heart, they are willing to exert their best endeavors to promote and diffuse the genuine principles of Masonry. That for the convenience of their respective dwellings and for other good reasons, they are desirous of forming a new lodge in the town of Princeton, to be named Princeton Lodge; that, in consequence of this desire, they pray for a Warrant of Constitution to empower them to assemble as a legal lodge to discharge the duties of Masonry in a regular and constitutional manner, according to the original forms of the Order and the Regulations of the Grand Lodge; that they have nominated and do recommend Thomas P. Johnson to be the first Master, Perez Rowley to be the first Senior Warden and John Lindsay to be the first Junior Warden of the said Lodge; that, if the prayer of their petition be granted, they promise a strict conformity to all the constitutional Laws and Regulations of the Grand Lodge, and your petitioners, as in duty bound, will pray.

Dated at Princeton,

October 15, A. L. 5813

EZEKIEL SMITH
GEORGE WOOD
JACOB S. STOUT
RALPH SANBURY
HENRY CLOW

THOMAS P. JOHNSON
JOHN I. CRAIG
JOHN JOLINE
JOHN LINDSAY
PEREZ ROWLEY

This petition for a new Lodge received a recommendation from Washington Lodge No. 12, of New Brunswick, as follows:

At a meeting of Washington Lodge No. 12, held at their Lodge Room in the City of New Brunswick, October 4, 1813, Brother Lindsay, in behalf of himself, Brothers Thomas P. Johnson, Ezekiel Smith, John I. Craig, Ralph Sansbury, Daniel Agnew and John Joline, gave information to the Lodge, of which they are members, of their wish to make application to the Grand Lodge for a warrant for a new lodge to be holden at Princeton, and praying the sanction and approbation of this lodge; whereupon it was unanimously resolved, that these brethren, from their attention, abilities and science in Masonry, merit the favors, indulgence and justice of this lodge, and that they be earnestly recommended to the Grand Lodge for a Warrant for a new lodge to be established at Princeton.

Done in open lodge,

WILLIAM DUNHAM, W. M.
Pro tem

Attest:

H. GARNETT, Sec.

The foregoing petition and recommendation having been duly considered by the Grand Lodge on November 9, 1813, it was ordered that a Warrant do issue to Thomas P. Johnson, Master; Perez Rowley, Senior Warden; John Lindsay, Junior Warden, of said Lodge, the Lodge to be known and numbered as Princeton Lodge No. 30.

The Warrant having been ordered, a meeting of the brethren was held at the house of John Joline on November 13, 1813, when a committee was appointed to purchase the furniture of the Lodge room. It was decided: "that all brethren from other lodges joining Princeton Lodge, join it subject to equal burthens with the original members of this lodge." Brother Rowley was appointed to receive subscriptions and it was resolved that a subscription be opened for the purpose of paying for the Warrant and purchasing the necessary furniture of the Lodge room and other incidental expenses, the same to be refunded to the subscribers when the funds of the Lodge will warrant it. Brother Lindsay was appointed a committee for superintending the purchase and mounting of the jewels and aprons.

There is no evidence of any effort to organize the Lodge under the Warrant until April 14, 1814, when the brethren assembled, pursuant to notice given, with the following officers named in the Warrant, viz.: Thomas P. Johnson, W. M.; Perez Rowley, S. W.; John Lindsay, J. W., and a number of brethren. They selected the following officers: Ralph Sansbury, Treasurer; George Wood, Secretary; Samuel Cruser, S. D.; Nathaniel H. Olden, J. D., and William Ryder, Tyler.

The By-Laws and Regulations, which had been previously prepared, were adopted. Brother George Wood was appointed to inform the Grand Lodge, who were convened in another apartment, that the Lodge was met and were ready to proceed to the ceremony of consecration and installation. The M. W. Grand Lodge, consisting of Aaron D. Woodruff, Grand Master; Isaac Barnes, Deputy Grand Master pro tem.; Joseph Thompson, Senior Grand Warden pro tem.; Asa H. Billings, Junior Grand Warden pro tem.; being announced in Due Form, were received with the Grand Honors and took their respective places in the Grand Lodge accordingly, when the Lodge was duly consecrated and the officers thereof respectively installed in Ample Form according to the usages and customs of the Craft from time immemorial used and approved. The Lodge closed in harmony, to meet on the evening of the same day.

At the meeting of the Grand Lodge held November 10, 1814, the Grand Master reported: "that, with some of the Grand Officers, he attended at the installation of the officers of Princeton Lodge No. 30 and the consecration of the hall, and he has the highest satisfaction in affording his testimony of the ability, good order and harmony which was evinced on the occasion, giving the happiest presages of their becoming bright, intelligent and worthy Masons. He was received with every mark of respect and attention."

Where the "hall" was located, what sort of a building it was, is not recorded, but it was not Mercer Hall, as that building was not erected until in or about the year 1846. It could have been a room in the Hudibras Inn, a well-known hostelry of that period, which was located on the south side of Nassau Street, next to the old public market.

At the same meeting William McKissack, Deputy Grand Master, reported as follows: "I had the pleasure of visiting the new lodge at

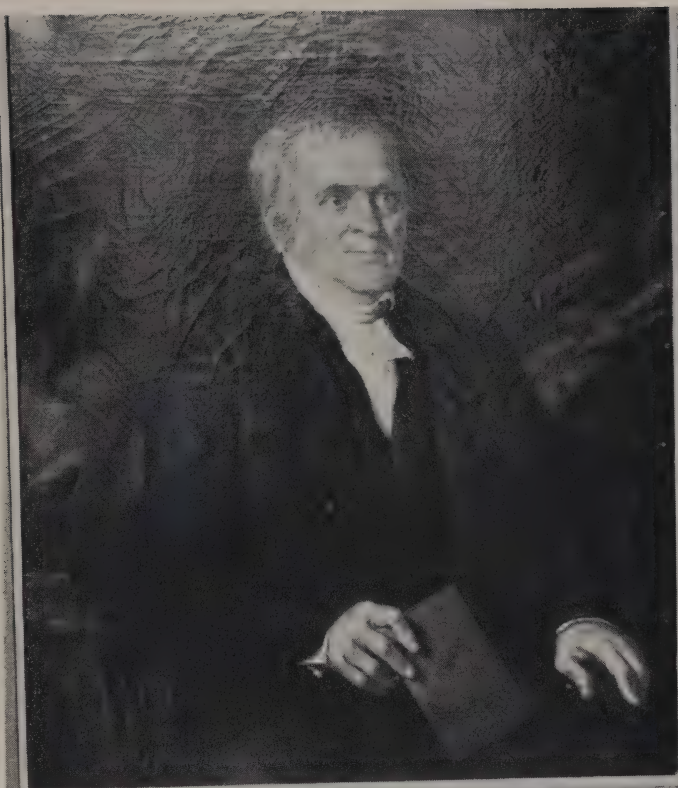
Princeton under the guidance of the Worshipful Thomas P. Johnson and was highly gratified with the manner in which the business of the Lodge was conducted. The Worshipful Master gave a lecture at my request; it was done in a true masonic style and embellished by the hand of a Master."

On November 13, 1815, the thanks of the Lodge were extended to Mr. William Ayer, Esquire, for a donation made to this Lodge by him, of a silver seal, formerly belonging to a Masonic Lodge held at Princeton prior to the American Revolution. This may have been the seal of the first Lodge warranted on October 25, 1765. It was adopted as the seal of the Lodge, but what became of it is not known, probably lost in the fire of June 6, 1874.

The last meeting of record of this Lodge was on November 2, 1816. A receipt for dues to November 1, 1815, amounting to \$7.76, signed by Isaac Barnes, Grand Treasurer, is on file in the Grand Lodge archives. The Lodge meetings were held on the first Monday of every month at Princeton. Permission was given to the Lodge, by the Grand Lodge in the year 1816, to hold its meetings in any part of Middlesex County. At that time Mercer County had not been created, so it was an easy matter to hold meetings "in any part of Middlesex County." Representatives of this Lodge were present at Grand Lodge in the years 1814, 1815 and 1816, but for the next five years the Lodge failed to be represented, in consequence of which the Grand Lodge, on November 13, 1821, took the following action: "That because of the failure of representation at Grand Lodge, and nonpayment of their dues to the Charity Fund thereof, the Lodge was ordered stricken from the roll of Lodges and the Grand Secretary ordered to write and demand the Warrant of the Lodge."

For the first four years these brethren served as officers:

	1813	1814
W. M.	*Thomas P. Johnson	Thomas P. Johnson
S. W.	Perez Rowley	Perez Rowley
J. W.	John Lindsay	Ezekiel Smith
Treas.	_____	Ralph Sansbury
Sec.	_____	George Wood
Tyler	_____	Bernard McCafferty
	1815	1816
W. M.	Thomas P. Johnson	Thomas P. Johnson
S. W.	Perez Rowley	Perez Rowley
J. W.	Samuel Cruser	†John Mershon
Treas.	Ralph Sansbury	Ralph Sansbury
Sec.	George Wood	Samuel Disbrow
Tyler	Bernard McCafferty	Bernard McCafferty



1781 1786
THOMAS POTTS JOHNSON
1813 1816

THOMAS P. JOHNSON
WORSHIPFUL MASTER
PRINCETON LODGE No. 30
1813-1816

1817

W. M.	Thomas P. Johnson	} Elected in 1816, but there is no record of their having served.
S. W.	John Mershon	
J. W.	Joseph D. Biles	
Treas.	John T. Robeson	
Sec.	John Handley	
Tyler	Bernard McCafferty	

The following brethren were enrolled as Charter Members at the time of the Constitution of this Lodge on April 14, 1814:

Dimitted from

Thomas Potts Johnson, Lawyer	Washington Lodge No. 12, New Brunswick
Perez Rowley, Inn Keeper	Trenton Lodge No. 5
John Lindsay, Lawyer	Washington Lodge No. 12, New Brunswick
Ezekiel Smith, Farmer	Washington Lodge No. 12, New Brunswick
Ralph Sansbury, Steward of Princeton College	Washington Lodge No. 12, New Brunswick
George Wood, Lawyer	Trenton Lodge No. 5
Samuel Crusier, Butcher	Washington Lodge No. 12, New Brunswick
‡Nathaniel H. Olden, Teacher	Not given
Jacob S. Stout, Farmer	Not given
John Joline, Inn Keeper	Washington Lodge No. 12, New Brunswick
John M. Booth, Shoe Maker	Washington Lodge No. 12, New Brunswick
John T. Robeson, Tailor	Washington Lodge No. 12, New Brunswick
John Napton, Inn Keeper	Washington Lodge No. 12, New Brunswick
John I. Craig, Farmer	Washington Lodge No. 12, New Brunswick
George Follet, Inn Keeper	Washington Lodge No. 12, New Brunswick
Stacy Morford, Harness Maker	Washington Lodge No. 12, New Brunswick

‡ He was an uncle of Governor Charles S. Olden.

From its Constitution on April 14, 1814, to its last recorded meeting on November 2, 1816, the Lodge took in the following fifteen members:

Henry Clow Baker	By dimit from Washington Lodge No. 12
§ Daniel Agnew, Merchant, formerly Steward of Princeton College	By dimit from Washington Lodge No. 12
John Mershon, Merchant	Raised June 6, 1814
Bernard McCafferty, Laborer	Raised Nov. 4, 1814
Horatio Sansbury, Medical Student	Raised Feb. 6, 1815
Samuel Disbrow, Jr., Merchant	E. A. Mar. 6, 1815
Joseph D. Biles, Teacher	F. C. June 5, 1815
Redford Job, Farmer	F. C. June 5, 1815
John Handley, Merchant	F. C. June 5, 1815
Joshua Edwards, Cabinet Maker	E. A. June 5, 1815
John C. Horner, Merchant	Raised April 1, 1816
William Henderson, Laborer	F. C. May 6, 1816
Joseph Smith, Carpenter	E. A. May 6, 1816
Elijah Davis, Farmer	E. A. May 6, 1816
Lemuel Fisk, Farmer	E. A. June 3, 1816

§ He was a Ruling Elder in the Presbyterian Church.

There is no record of any work done after June 3, 1816, but there was a meeting held on November 2, 1816, as previously noted.

As near as can be determined, these members of No. 30 are supposed to have served in the Revolutionary Army: Elijah Davis, Private; William Henderson, Captain; Joseph Smith, Captain; Samuel Disbrow, Major; Redford Job, Colonel.

* Thomas Potts Johnson was the first and only Worshipful Master of Princeton Lodge No. 30. He served from 1813 to 1816, inclusive, and had been elected to serve in 1817, but the Lodge ceased to function after November 2, 1816. The following record of Brother Johnson is transcribed from Hageman's *History of Princeton and Its Institutions*:

"He was one of the distinguished lawyers of New Jersey, and one of the most notable citizens of Princeton of that period. He was not a native of this place, nor did he die here. He was born about the year 1761 and his parents were Quakers. His father, William Johnson, a native of Ireland, emigrated to this country about 1750. He married Ruth Potts, of Trenton, and removed to Charleston, S. C., where he established a boarding-school. After a residence of some years there he died, and his wife and five children removed to Trenton, where she opened a store, and

Thomas was placed as an apprentice to a carpenter. His health failing, he engaged in teaching youth and was well adapted to the occupation. He then became a partner in a mercantile house in Philadelphia, and was sent to open a branch in Richmond, Va., where he became acquainted with chief Justice Marshall and was attracted by the bar of the 'Old Dominion.' He was Recorder of that city. His store was destroyed by fire, whereupon he returned to New Jersey and settled in Princeton, where he married a daughter of Robert Stockton, and entered the office of Richard Stockton as a law student. He received his license as an attorney at law in New Jersey, in 1794, and as Counselor in 1796. His career at the bar was brilliant.

"Though Mr. Johnson was never at college, his strong mental capacity enabled him to acquire knowledge readily, and being of studious habits and having a retentive memory, he became a literary and well-educated man, versed in philosophy and science and acquainted with the French language. He soon attracted the attention of the French refugees who settled near Princeton about the time he came to the bar, and he became intimate with some of the most intelligent of them and was thereby drawn to the study of their language, and learned to pronounce as perfectly as if he had been a native Frenchman. He removed from Princeton to Lambertville, where he lived with his son-in-law, Dr. R. D. Corson, until his death on March 12, 1838. A large and fine portrait of him, painted at the expense of the bar of the State, hangs in the Flemington Court House."

† John Mershon, related to the Mershon families residing in Princeton and vicinity, was the first petitioner in Princeton Lodge No. 30, and was raised on June 6, 1814. He served as Junior Warden in 1816 and was elected as Senior Warden for 1817, but the Lodge ceased to function after November 2, 1816, the date of its last recorded meeting. He was born in Princeton, then in the County of Middlesex, on December 25, 1792. He was the son of James and Elcy Van Pelt Mershon, and grandson of Thomas and Susanna Stockton Mershon, whose home was southeast of Princeton in the vicinity of the present village of Plainsboro. John's grandfather participated in the Revolutionary War.

"On April 18, 1816, he was married to Eliza D. Ryall, daughter of George Ryall, by Rev. William Boswell, pastor of the Trenton and Lambertton Baptist Church. He left Princeton in 1821 and settled in the then village of Lambertton (now the Sixth Ward of Trenton) and engaged in the mercantile business, in which he continued until 1823, when, being appointed Clerk in the Trenton Bank, he removed to Trenton and continued with the bank for the remainder of his life.

"He was active in civic and fraternal organizations, and a member of St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Trenton, in which he served as Vestryman, Warden and Treasurer. He affiliated with Trenton Lodge No. 5 on December 3, 1821, served as its Secretary 1823-1825 and 1834-1838, and as Worshipful Master in 1831 and 1832 and from 1839 to his death

in 1842. He was especially active when Trenton Lodge No. 5 was one of the few lodges to continue holding meetings despite the bitter anti-Masonic agitation which began about 1826. He also served as Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey from November, 1831, to his death on December 15, 1842. He and his wife were buried in the cemetery of St. Michael's Episcopal Church in Trenton."

Thomas P. Johnson and John Mershon are the only brethren concerning whom detailed information was available. However, the list of charter members and of those taken in during the active period of the Lodge, shows the vocations of those who comprised the membership of Princeton Lodge No. 30.

CHRONOLOGICAL RECORD OF No. 38

AS GLEANED FROM THE MINUTES OF THE LODGE

There was neither a Masonic Lodge nor Masonic activity of record in Princeton from 1816 (Grand Lodge revoked the Warrant of No. 30 in 1821) to 1855, a period of 39 years. By that time, no doubt, the number of Masons residing in and about Princeton had considerably increased, and again there arose the desire to meet as a duly organized and constituted Lodge. And so these seven brethren petitioned Edward Stewart, Grand Master, for a Warrant to meet and do Masonic work: Robert S. Green, Lawyer; John H. Margerum, Tinsmith; Wessell T. Stout, Physician; John Van Tilburgh, Farmer; Henry Clow, Baker; John A. Perrine, Farmer; John I. Craig, Farmer. Of these seven, Henry Clow and John I. Craig, had been members of Princeton Lodge No. 30. This petition, having the recommendation of Trenton Lodge No. 5, received favorable consideration, and, on August 21, 1855, the following Dispensation to form the Lodge was signed and issued by Grand Master Stewart, which Dispensation was returned by the Lodge and is on file at the Grand Secretary's office in Trenton:

To All Whom It May Concern: Greeting.

Whereas a Petition has been presented to me by sundry Brethren, to wit: Brothers Robert S. Green, John Van Tilburgh, Henry Clow, John H. Margerum, John A. Perrine, Wessel T. Stout and John I. Craig, residing in the Borough of Princeton, State of New Jersey, praying to be congregated into a regular Lodge and promising to render obedience to the ancient usages and landmarks of the Fraternity and the laws of the Grand Lodge; and whereas said petitioners have been recommended to me as Master Masons in good standing by the Master, Wardens and other members of Trenton Lodge No. 5, under our Jurisdiction;

Therefore, I, Edward Stewart, Grand Master of the M. W. Grand Lodge of the State of New Jersey, reposing full confidence in the recommendation aforesaid, and in the Masonic integrity and ability of the petitioners, do by virtue of the authority in me vested, hereby grant this Dispensation, empowering and authorizing our trusty and well-beloved Brethren aforesaid, to form and open a Lodge, after the manner of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, and therein to admit and make Freemasons, according to the Ancient Customs, and not otherwise.

This Dispensation is to continue in full force until the next annual meeting of our Grand Lodge, unless sooner revoked by me, or some other proper authority. And I do hereby appoint Brother Robert S. Green to be the first Worshipful Master, Brother John H. Margerum to be the first Senior Warden, and Brother Wessel T. Stout to be the first Junior Warden of said new Lodge to be known as Princeton Lodge No. ———

And it shall be their duty and they are hereby required to return this Dispensation with a correct transcript of the proceedings had under the authority of the same, together with an attested copy of their By-Laws, to our Grand Lodge aforesaid at the expiration of the time herein specified, for examination and such further action in the premises as shall then be deemed wise and proper.

Given under our hand and the Seal of our Grand Lodge aforesaid, at the City of Trenton, this twenty-first day of August, A. L. 5855, Anno Domini 1855.

EDWARD STEWART
Grand Master

Attest:

JOSEPH H. HOUGH,
Grand Secretary

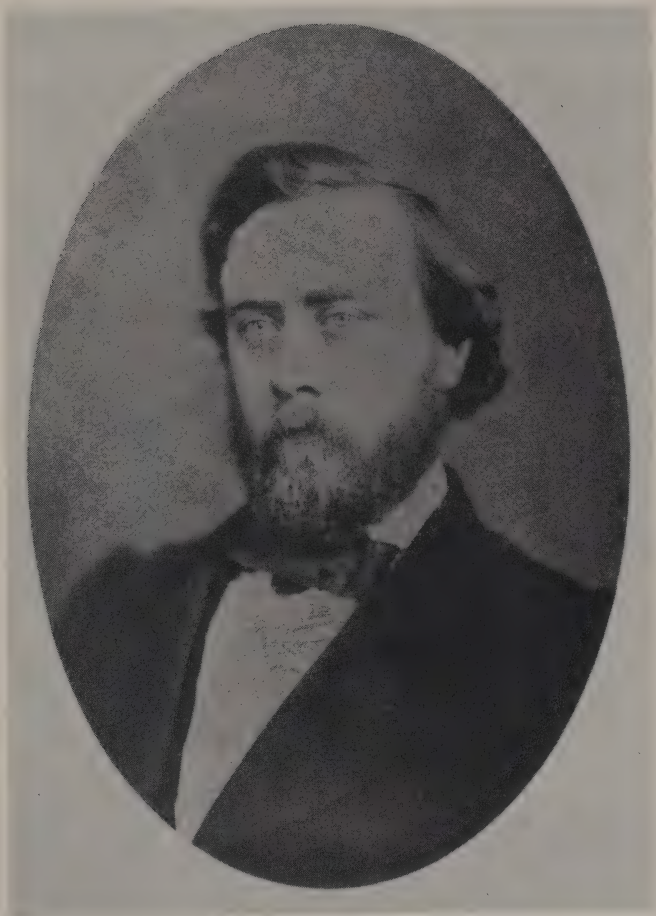
The historical sketch of the Lodge in the Grand Lodge files, states: "It is presumed that the brethren assembled on August 22, 1855, and that the Lodge was duly organized and the officers installed by M. W. Edward Stewart, Grand Master." According to the historical sketch, the following petitioners were made Masons during the time the Lodge was under Dispensation:

Robert L. Clow	Postmaster	Sep. 6, 1855
George Musgrave Giger	Professor	Sep. 6, 1855
William F. Packer	Hotel Keeper	Sep. 6, 1855
James C. Andrews	Plumber	Sep. 22, 1855
Elijah S. Fairchild	Theological Student	Oct. 30, 1855
Joseph Henderson	Tailor	Nov. 18, 1855
John Conover	Tailor	Dec. 11, 1855
George Thompson	Book Seller	Dec. 21, 1855

While the Lodge was under Dispensation these brethren served as officers: Robert S. Green, W. M.; John H. Margerum, S. W.; Wessell T. Stout, J. W.; John Conover, Treas.; George Thompson, Sec.; George M. Giger, S. D.; Joseph Henderson, J. D.; Robert L. Clow, S. S.; William F. Packer, J. S.; Henry Clow, Tyler.

The first meeting of the Lodge, while under Dispensation, was held on August 28, 1855, when a petition for the degrees of Freemasonry was received from Robert L. Clow, the first petitioner. He was duly Entered August 28, 1855, Crafted August 31, 1855, and Raised September 6, 1855. The Lodge had been granted permission to Enter, Pass and Raise candidates within the statutory time, as the minutes record that they were Entered, Passed and Raised within one week.

The early years of the Lodge were "rough and rugged," to say the least, and one of the most zealous workers for its success was Brother John H. Margerum, Senior Warden in 1855, 1856, 1857 and 1858, and Worshipful Master in 1859. His personal efforts and untiring zeal in the early years of the Lodge kept the members united, and contributed largely in bringing it safely through the early struggles for existence.



ROBERT S. GREEN
WORSHIPFUL MASTER
PRINCETON LODGE No. 38
1855, 1856

1855

August 28. The minutes record that the room in Mercer Hall was rented from the Odd Fellows (Nassau Lodge No. 106, I. O. O. F.) at a rental of \$65.00 per year.

September 22. The first By-Laws were adopted, but there is no record of them in the minutes. They probably were destroyed by fire.

1856

January 9. The Grand Lodge ordered that a Warrant issue to Robert S. Green, W. M.; John H. Margerum, S. W., and Wessell T. Stout, J. W., for a Lodge to be known and numbered as Princeton Lodge No. 38. Thus the present Lodge came into official existence with fifteen warrant members, and, down through the century behind it, has functioned uninterruptedly with distinction and honor, and with zeal and assiduity in all its labors. Of the seven petitioners for a Warrant, Brothers Green and Stout were from Washington Lodge No. 33, Elizabeth; Brother Margerum was from Union Lodge No. 19, New Brunswick; Brothers Perrine and Van Tilburgh were from Trenton Lodge No. 5, and Brothers Clow and Craig had been members of Princeton Lodge No. 30, which became extinct in 1821.

January 22. The first meeting under the Warrant was held on this date.

August 26. A payment of three dollars for a distressed worthy brother was authorized, this being the first instance of fraternal assistance.

December 23. The first officers elected under the Warrant were: George M. Giger, W. M.; John H. Margerum, S. W.; Samuel Paxson, J. W.; John Conover, Treas.; William F. Hutchinson, Sec.; Robert L. Clow, Tyler. On this date, John H. Janeway, Junior Grand Warden of Grand Lodge in 1855 and Senior Grand Warden in 1856, affiliated with No. 38, coming from Lafayette Lodge No. 27, Rahway. In Grand Lodge he went no higher than Senior Grand Warden.

1857

February 24. Interesting papers belonging to the previous Lodge No. 30, also the silver seal of the same, were presented to the Lodge by Brother John H. Janeway on behalf of James S. Green, Esquire, for which the Lodge declared a vote of thanks. On this date a committee of three was appointed to draw up such a history of Princeton Lodge as could be gathered from documents on hand. George M. Giger, John H. Janeway and William F. Hutchinson comprised the committee.

May 12. The following resolution was adopted: That the stated communications of this Lodge be held on the second and fourth Monday nights in the month. It was also resolved that the intermediate nights (presumably Mondays) be used for a Lodge of Instruction.

1858

August 16. At a special communication of No. 38 a Dispensation from Grand Lodge was read, empowering the Worshipful Master to Enter, Pass and Raise John Maclean, Jr., son of President John Maclean of the then College of New Jersey. On this date he was Entered and Crafted, and on August 23rd, one week later, he was Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. He later dimitted to Franklin Lodge No. 221, Pittsburgh, Pa.

November 8. The Lodge was visited by Deputy Grand Master John R. Chapin, who exemplified the manner of opening and closing a Lodge.

1859

September 26. The Lodge was visited by Robert C. Buzby, Junior Grand Warden, who exemplified the manner of opening and closing a Lodge. Up to 1873 the Grand Lecturer or a Grand Lodge officer visited the Lodges to exemplify the work of the degrees. A Grand Instructor was first appointed in 1875.

December 27. St. John's Day celebrated by a supper at the Mansion House, then located at what is now the entrance to Palmer Square.

1860

January 9. Charge of un-Masonic conduct against a member of the Lodge.

February 13. The first unfavorable report upon a petitioner was presented.

July 9. A Masonic trial of the above member was held this day, his offense being that he failed to obey the summons of the Worshipful Master to attend a special meeting of the Lodge. The brother was expelled, but later was reinstated and granted a Dimit.

1861

January 1. From this date the annual rent paid by the Lodge was \$50.00.

April 8. Initiation fee increased from \$10.00 to \$16.00 from this date.

June 10. By-Laws amended to make the initiation fee \$20.00.

June 24. Second trial in No. 38 against a member for un-Masonic conduct. He was indefinitely suspended, but later restored to membership.

1862

March 10. The Secretary was directed to record in the minutes that Dr. Wessell T. Stout had died on March 5th. He was one of the seven members of the Craft who signed the petition for a Warrant for Princeton Lodge No. 38.

July 27. The first Masonic Service was held for Brother William F. Hutchinson, a carpenter, who was Raised on February 13, 1856. He was born on March 20, 1831, at St. Edmonds, Lincolnshire, England; he was Secretary of the Lodge in 1857 and Tyler in 1859. He enlisted in the Union Army in 1861 and served as Captain in the 7th New Jersey Volunteers, and for some time ministered as a nurse in a hospital. He was discharged and about to return home, when he was stricken with a fever and died in the U. S. Hospital at Annapolis, Maryland, on July 22, 1862. Through the kindness of Masons his body was sent home and he was buried in Princeton Cemetery with Masonic honors. A gravestone was erected by the Lodge on May 12, 1865, the family being in needy circumstances.

October 13. Annual rent of the Lodge room was reduced to \$40.00 from October 1st.

December 8. From this date until March 9, 1863, and from March 23, 1863, until July 20, 1863, the Lodge did not meet for want of a quorum, probably due to the Civil War.

1863

April 13 to July 13. No meetings were held, the necessary quorum not being present.

September 21. Morris C. Runyon received the three degrees of Masonry on this date, by virtue of a Dispensation from M. W. Isaac Van Wagoner, Grand Master, so to do. The entire work was done by the officers of the Lodge. His enlistment in the Union Army, no doubt, was the reason for this procedure.

September 28. The Tyler was instructed to procure necessary fuel, and to have the stove cleaned.

December 14. At this meeting it was reported that sometime in October the Treasurer's (John Conover) store was robbed and the entire amount of Lodge funds in his hands (\$33.22) was stolen. The Treasurer did not ask the Lodge to bear any portion of this loss, but the Finance Committee, in the spirit of brotherly kindness, recommended that the Lodge bear a portion, if not the whole, of the loss sustained. The Lodge ordered a warrant to cover the entire amount of the loss, and the Treasurer was directed to open a bank account and not keep Lodge funds in his store.

December 28. The Tyler was authorized to procure a stove and the necessary appendages to be placed in the preparation room.

1864

July 25. The salary of the Tyler was fixed at \$15.00 per year, and his dues remitted from January 1, 1864.

December 26. The salary of the Tyler for the coming year was fixed at \$20.00, and dues remitted.

1865

February 13. The Lodge purchased, and had set up, a gravestone for Brother William F. Hutchinson, who had served both as Secretary and Tyler, and died at the age of 35. This, and other help, aid and assistance, was given by the Lodge to the family of this worthy brother in their distress.

March 27. The Lodge room, and a smaller room formerly used by the Young Men's Club, rented for a five-year period at \$85.00 per year.

November 7. On motion, it was ordered that the Lodge be opened each evening with singing, and Brother James R. Campbell was elected Chorister.

December 20. A Lodge of Sorrow was held in memory of George M. Giger. After preliminary ceremonies in the Lodge room, the members moved in formal procession to the Methodist Church, where an able and eloquent address suitable to the occasion was delivered by Past Senior Grand Warden, Thomas J. Corson, of Trenton Lodge No. 5. Following the service in the church, the procession was re-formed and returned to the Lodge room, where the remaining ceremonies were performed in a solemn and befitting manner. At the time of his death on October 11, 1865, he was Junior Grand Warden of Grand Lodge, and, in due process of advancement, undoubtedly would have been elected Grand Master.

1866

January 8. On motion, each brother was requested to furnish the Lodge with his photograph for the purpose of ornamenting the walls (which later was discontinued).

February 12. An altar, made by Brother Josiah W. Wright, was presented by him to the Lodge and a vote of thanks was accorded the donor.

March 6. Paul M. Tulane was passed to the Fellow Craft Degree and, after a ten-minute recess to ascertain the cause of an alarm of fire, he was Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason by virtue of a Dispensation from the Grand Master so to do. Brother Tulane established and operated an extensive mercantile business in New Orleans, Louisiana, in which city he founded Tulane University. His home was at 83 Stockton Street, Princeton, and he was buried in Princeton Cemetery.

May 28. The minimum initiation fee in the Lodges was increased from \$20.00 to \$30.00 by Grand Lodge.

July 9. The Lodge increased its initiation fee to \$30.00.

August 27. Fee for affiliation fixed at \$5.00.

November 12. The Standing Committee reported that they had purchased a pail, brush and dustpan for the use of the Lodge.

December 24. On motion, it was ordered that two or three placards be placed upon the doors directing members to "wipe their feet."

1867

February 25. The Lodge was officially visited by William S. Whitehead, Grand Master, James H. Stevens, Senior Grand Warden, and Joseph H. Hough, Grand Secretary. Brother Stevens addressed the Lodge upon degree work and its proper performance.

In the year 1867 the cornerstone of the old Halsted Observatory, on the campus of the College of New Jersey (now Princeton University), was laid with solemn Masonic ceremonies by Wor. Bro. N. Norris Halsted, Past Master of Holland Lodge No. 8, New York, and at that time a member of St. John's Lodge No. 1, Newark.

1868

January 13. Charles O. Hudnut, Past Master, was appointed Historian and Librarian of the Lodge.

March 23. The Senior Warden was, on motion, instructed to procure half a cord of wood for the use of the Lodge.

August 24. William Mead, Grand Lecturer, visited the Lodge and rehearsed the obligations of the three degrees.

December 21. Annual installation of officers held while on the Entered Apprentice Degree.

December 28. Abel W. Hartwell, of Star Lodge No. 65, Tuckahoe, New Jersey, was one of the visitors at this meeting. He was the Principal of the old Princeton Model School, now replaced by the Elementary and Junior High Schools, on Nassau Street. He was a frequent visitor.

1869

March 15. Address by Leroy H. Anderson, Past Master, on the four cardinal virtues of Fortitude, Prudence, Temperance and Justice, the Lodge being on refreshment for two hours. The audience was composed largely of ladies, and, after they and their friends retired, labor was resumed on the Master Mason Degree. This address was printed and published and a copy is on file in the archives of the Lodge.

July 19. Brother Thomas Applegate addressed the Lodge on "The Cause of the Dissolution and Downfall of Human Institutions, and why the history of the Masonic Order differs from the ordinary history of man." The audience was composed of a goodly number of ladies and gentlemen, besides the brethren.

At the communications of August 23, September 13 and 27, neither the Master nor the Wardens were present, hence no meetings were held.

November 8. A committee of two (Morris H. Krauskopf and James L. Briner) was appointed to examine "whether the stove in the lodge-room is liable to fire the building, or not."

1870

September 12. The Lodge was visited by William W. Goodwin, Senior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge.

November 28. The ladies on whom the Eastern Star Degree had been conferred presented the Lodge with an elegant copy of the Holy Bible.

1871

May 22. New By-Laws adopted.

May 29. An address was given by Wor. Bro. S. D. Oliphant, a visiting Past Master.

October 26. Members of No. 38 attended the laying of the cornerstone of the Masonic Temple in New Brunswick.

December 19. The Secretary and Tyler were each paid \$25.00 for services rendered during the year.

December 22. Fire in Mercer Hall, which started in the small room over the stairway, on the second floor of the building. The inhabitants of the town generally turned out, and all the engine companies were promptly on hand and the fire was extinguished, though not before considerable damage was done. The Lodge room was in peculiar danger and, though the room was filled with smoke, the brethren removed all the jewels and furniture and took up the carpet, to be prepared for the worst. Fortunately, however, the fire was put out and the building saved from destruction.

1872

May 27. A member of the Lodge was suspended for an indefinite time for un-Masonic conduct, after trial and vote by the Lodge.

June 24. Owing to the extreme heat, there was no quorum present; also, because of the continued severe heat, no meetings were held during July, August and September.

November 25. The Lodge was visited by William Mead, Grand Lecturer, who made remarks and suggestions in reference to the work of the Master Mason Degree.

1873

Up to December 8 stated communications were held during July and August, but from January 1, 1874, an amendment of the By-Laws permitted their omission during those months, at the discretion of the Lodge.

1874

June 6. On this date Mercer Hall was destroyed by fire, and No. 38 lost all its furniture, regalia, etc. Fortunately, the minute-book, Book of By-Laws and Visitors' Book were rescued, but in so burned and mangled a condition as to be hardly recognizable. The Lodge was insured for \$500.00.

June 8. Stated communication of the Lodge was held in the room of Mercer Engine Company No. 3, and for the rest of the summer meetings were held in rooms on the top floor of the old Princeton Press Building, located at 30 Nassau Street. Despite its great loss by fire, the Lodge contributed \$20.00 to the Grand Lodge Fund for relief of suffering citizens of Louisiana. At this meeting a committee consisting of Charles O. Hudnut, Past Master, Aaron L. Green, James Scarlett and John H. Margerum was appointed to endeavor to supply a history of the Lodge as a substitute for the old minutes and records that were so badly burned and damaged by the fire of June 6th.

June 13. The Lodge contributed \$25.00 to the Grand Lodge Fund for relief of sufferers from the flood and famine occasioned by torrential rains causing the Mississippi River to overflow and inundate a large part of the State of Louisiana. The Lodges of the State contributed a total of \$1,716.50.

July 13 and 24. Stated communications held in the room of Stockton Council No. 66, Junior Order of American Mechanics.

July 13. The committee appointed on June 8th presented the following report:

The Committee appointed at the stated communication of June 8th, to prepare a statement and Memorial of the fire, respectfully report:

That the fire, as near as it can be located, originated in the second story of Mercer Hall, on the floor below the Lodge-room; that it broke out at about half past one in the morning of June 6th and, after raging for hours, was finally put out only after destroying almost every article of furniture of which we were possessed—carpets, chairs, pictures, jewels—were all consumed. The old chest, with its contents, was spared. The loss, which was of the greatest importance to us, and which it will be impossible to supply, is the Minute Book containing the records of the Lodge prior to 1867. We had effected an insurance upon the furniture of \$500.00, which will probably about half cover the damage sustained.

The Mercer Hall property was build in or about the year 1846, and the old lodge-room therein was the first and only one ever used by Princeton Lodge No. 38, having been first occupied in 1856, making in all a period of eighteen years. It was the place where nine-tenths of all our members were brought to Masonic light, and, associated with it, are almost all the eventful incidents of our Masonic lives.

We write this account of its destruction, therefore, with genuine sorrow, being reminded of the instability of all earthly affairs, and that the only safe and lasting habitation is the "house not made with hands, eternal in the Heavens."

CHARLES O. HUDNUT
AARON L. GREEN
JAMES SCARLETT
JOHN H. MARGERUM
Committee

It was necessary, for the record of the Lodge, that the books and Minutes be rewritten, in so far as possible, at once, as handling them in their charred and mangled condition would quickly finish what fire and water had so nearly accomplished. So, having the time and the interest to do it, Charles O. Hudnut, Past Master, Historian of the Lodge at that time and very active in its affairs, very carefully and with great labor deciphered and transcribed the entire Minute-Book from 1855 through 1867, but the records of many meetings were incomplete and indecipherable, due to their badly burned and damaged condition. The Lodge is greatly indebted to Brother Hudnut, long since departed, for this restoration, though in some instances only in part, and this history would be remiss if it did not record, with gratitude, the labors of Brother Hudnut.

September 14. First meeting of the Lodge held in rebuilt Mercer Hall. Beginning October 1st the yearly rent was \$125.00, a five-year lease being taken at this rental.

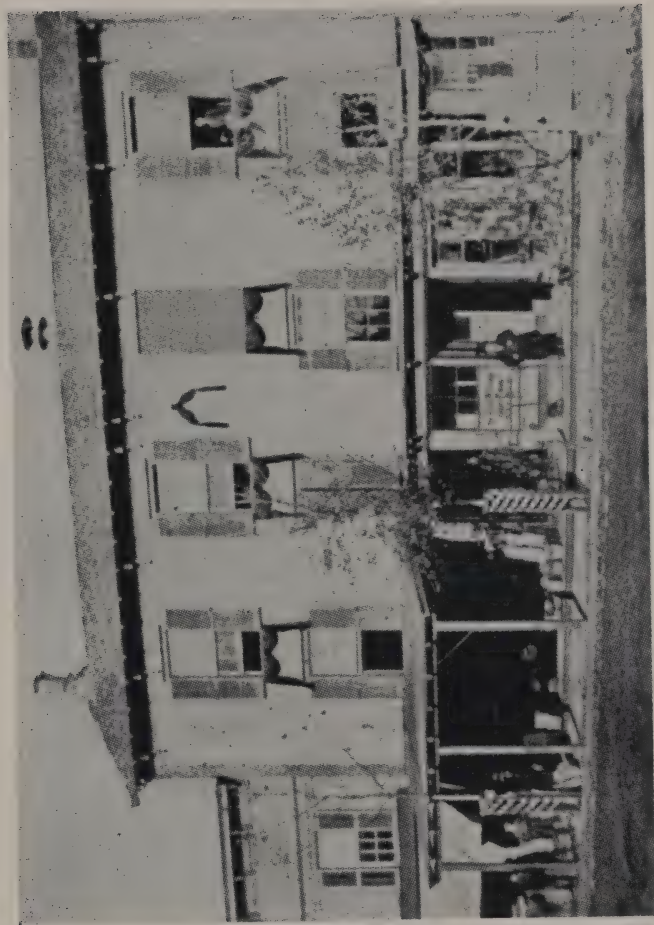
At this meeting the Worshipful Master reported: That on July 21st, in compliance with the invitation of Trenton Lodge No. 5, a few members accompanied him to Trenton, and Trenton Lodge No. 5, at our request, conferred the Master Mason Degree upon Brother Fellow Craft Foster W. Van Kirk.

December 14. The committee on new furniture and paraphernalia reported that their work was completed at a total cost of \$1,895.80. Among the expenses was \$22.00 for "spittoons."

The Lodge adopted the following resolution providing for a record of those who signified their desire for a Masonic Service at their death:

"Impressed with a realizing sense of the shortness of life and the nearness and certainty of death, we

"The undersigned, hereby place upon record our request that, when we shall be called from labor in this Lodge terrestrial to rest in the Lodge celestial, the hands of loving brethren may bear our bodies to their last resting place and commit them, with kindly sympathy, to the embrace of Mother Earth; and that, enshrined in your hearts, our memories may be ever fresh and green. And we also here record the hope that all the Brethren of our beloved Lodge may be raised at last to sit in the Celestial Lodge above, where the Supreme Architect of the Universe presides."



MERCER HALL
126 NASSAU STREET
AUGUST, 1855—OCTOBER 1, 1914

From the date of its adoption to its discontinuance on May 11, 1903, thirty-six members signified, by their signature, their desire for a Masonic Service at their death.

1875

February 15. Sociable held in the new Lodge room after being rebuilt following the fire of June 6, 1874, to which the public was invited.

October 25. The Lodge was visited by Robert C. Buzby, Past Deputy Grand Master, who gave an address covering instruction in degree work.

1876

January 24. A committee, appointed for the purpose, reported that a seal had been procured, made from an old silver seal of Princeton Lodge, and probably the first seal used in a Lodge in Princeton.

December 18. Officers of the Lodge for 1877 publicly installed in the presence of a large number of guests who had been invited to attend. The first public installation of officers in No. 38.

1877

January 8. It was reported by Brother John H. Gray, of Elizabeth, New Jersey, that he had examined the records of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts and had found therein the record of the petition for the first Lodge in Princeton in 1765. Brother Gray further stated that this early Lodge was for several years called at the meetings of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, but was never represented at said meetings. (We have been unable to identify this Brother Gray.)

January 22. Following a duly conducted Masonic trial, at which evidence and sworn testimony was presented in Due Form, the Lodge expelled a member, he having been found and proven guilty of gross un-Masonic conduct.

April 9. Charges preferred against an Entered Apprentice by Past Master Charles O. Hudnut for un-Masonic conduct. Indefinitely suspended at a special meeting held on July 2, 1877.

April 29. Brother Cornelius Van Duyn, Past Master, was reported as being very ill, and that the brethren were rendering every attention and "sitting up with him nightly."

June 11. On this date the annual dues were increased from \$3.00 to \$6.00.

October 22. The Worshipful Master stated that he had attended the Lodge for instruction at Trenton and had been very favorably impressed. He explained the difference between the work of No. 38 and the work in the Jurisdiction known as the "New Jersey Work," and recommended

that No. 38 learn the New Jersey work as used in this Jurisdiction. Apparently, No. 38 was using ritual not approved by the Grand Lodge. December 17. Officers for 1878 were installed while at labor on the Entered Apprentice Degree.

1878

March 25. No. 38 was visited by Thomas H. R. Redway, Deputy Grand Secretary.

September 9. The committee on ways and means to reduce or erase the large indebtedness of the Lodge, reported a plan for making the entire Lodge debt of \$716.02 a bonded indebtedness. The plan was adopted, and the Trustees were instructed to issue bonds to the amount of \$1,000.00. The bonds were issued in the denomination of \$50.00, payable in ten years, with interest at six per cent, payable November 1st in each year, and redeemable at the pleasure of the Lodge after November 1, 1879.

December 27. Officers for 1879 installed while at labor on the Entered Apprentice Degree.

1879

February 10. A communication from Grand Lodge informed the Lodge of the reappointment of Brother Heber Wells as Grand Instructor. He was first appointed as such in 1875, replacing the Grand Lecturer, and served from 1875 to 1877, inclusive. Grand Lodge abolished the office for the year 1878, but restored it in 1879, since which it has continued, together with the corps of District Deputies, first appointed in 1875.

December 26. Officers for 1880 installed while at labor on the Entered Apprentice Degree.

1880

April 1. From this date the annual rent was increased to \$150.00.

November 22. The Lodge was visited by Henry S. Haines, Grand Instructor, who exemplified the work of the Master Mason Degree.

1881

January 24. Lodge room subrented for three months to Thomas R. Haines Post No. 30, G. A. R., at the rate of \$100.00 per year.

March 14. Brother Lucas, District Deputy, was present and instructed the Lodge in the form of opening and closing the Lodge according to the standard work.

December 27. Public installation of officers for 1882, held in the Lodge room while at labor on the Entered Apprentice Degree, when visitors were admitted to the ceremonies. During the early years of the Lodge all members were summoned, by order of the Worshipful Master, to attend Lodge for the annual election of officers.

1882

March 27. The committee appointed to suggest some method of awakening an interest in the Lodge, reported that they would advise a discussion on some Masonic subject, and suggested as the first question: "Should a Mason defend another Mason at all times and under all circumstances?" Leroy H. Anderson to speak for the affirmative, and William C. Vandewater for the negative. The question was decided in the negative by a vote of the Lodge.

April 24. The Lodge room was subrented to the Odd Fellows for their weekly meetings, at \$130.00 per year.

May 22. The next question suggested and adopted for debate was: "Is a Mason prohibited by Masonic law from asking a profane to present a petition for initiation?" The Worshipful Master appointed William C. Vandewater to defend the affirmative, and Aaron L. Green the negative. The question was decided in the negative by a vote of the Lodge.

December 22. Public installation of officers for 1883, while on refreshment, when visitors were admitted.

1883

January 22. A number of Master Masons, residing in or near the village of Hopewell, were present and exemplified the work of the three degrees in open Lodge for the purpose of organizing a new Masonic Lodge in that place. Princeton Lodge approved the work of the Hopewell brethren and, on February 12, 1883, gave a formal recommendation to them that Grand Lodge issue a Warrant. A Dispensation was granted by the Grand Master on July 9, 1884, the Warrant was issued on January 29, 1885, and, on March 6, 1885, they were duly constituted Hopewell Lodge No. 155.

December 27. Officers for 1884 publicly installed while on refreshment. Visitors were admitted, and various persons entertained with music and recitations. For 1883, the Secretary and Tyler were each paid six dollars for their services.

1884

March 10. George M. Durner, a brother of Wilhelm C. Durner, was Raised on this date. His petition for initiation and membership stated that he was a "Tonsorial Artist," rather than a barber.

June 2. Symmes H. Stillwell, father of J. Morford, Oscar S and Howard M. Stillwell, raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason.

July 15. The Lodge united with the Lodges in Trenton in the procession at the laying of the cornerstone of the Masonic Temple, located at the corner of West State and North Warren Streets. The site is now occupied by the Trenton Banking Company.

December 23. Officers for 1885 publicly installed while on refreshment, when visitors were admitted.

1885

December 14. The Lodge subrented the Lodge room to Thomas R. Haines Post, No. 30, G. A. R., for \$50.00 per year, the number of meetings being limited to twenty per year. The room was also sublet to the Odd Fellows at \$130.00 per year.

December 28. Officers for 1886 publicly installed while on refreshment, with visitors and ladies present for the ceremonies, at which music and recitations were rendered.

1886

September 27. The Lodge contributed \$20.00 to the Grand Lodge fund for relief of suffering brethren and their families in the earthquake in Charleston, South Carolina, on August 31, 1886. The total amount contributed by the Lodges in New Jersey was \$1,909.00.

December 27. The Tyler was paid \$25.00 for his services during the year. On this date the last of the Lodge bonds, authorized on September 9, 1878, were paid in full.

1887

December 27. The officers for 1888 were publicly installed while on refreshment, with visitors present.

1888

March 12. Stated communication of the Lodge was not held, due to the famous blizzard of that year. For two or three days the streets were so blockaded by embankments of snow that travel by public and private conveyances was impossible. For nearly four days the town was entirely cut off from all railroad and telegraphic communication.

1889

April 22. A gavel was presented to the Lodge by Leroy H. Anderson, Past Master. He stated that he had good reason for believing that this gavel was used by George Washington at the time he was Master of the Lodge at Alexandria, Virginia. Brother Anderson's father was Captain William T. Anderson, who came into possession of the gavel at the death of his uncle, Major Robert Anderson, a very prominent Mason of Yorktown, Virginia. The gavel was given to Leroy H. Anderson by his father, William T. Anderson. In 1935 this gavel was presented to Grand Lodge for its Museum in the old Masonic Temple in Trenton.

1890

June 16. The Lodge loaned \$200.00 to a member of the Lodge on a second mortgage at five per cent, which was paid in full before April 13, 1891.

September 22. Deputy Grand Master George W. Fortmeyer, and several members of the Grand Lodge Staff, were present. Henry S. Haines, Grand Instructor, conferred the Master Mason Degree upon one candidate, and also gave the lecture with lantern slides. Following the meeting, supper was served at University Hall, located at the corner of Nassau Street and University Place and now replaced by the dining halls of the University.

December 1. From this date the Odd Fellows ceased to subrent the Lodge room for their meetings.

1892

May 23. Warrant for \$50.00 ordered drawn for assistance of a member's widow.

June 13. Warrant for \$40.00 authorized to help a needy member of the Lodge.

1893

January 1. From this date the annual rental of the Lodge room was \$150.00.

1894

September 24. Seventy dollars collected and dispensed for assistance to a member's widow in needy circumstances.

1895

February 25. Lodge room sublet to the Royal Arcanum at \$75.00 per year.

April 22. Edwin C. Osborn, Past Master, presented the Lodge with an organ.

1896

January 13. The Lodge endorsed the action of the Worshipful Master in engaging a nurse for Brother Edward M. Allen and directed that the cost therefor be paid by the Lodge.

February 10. The Trustees were requested to purchase a kettle to put on the stove in the Lodge room.

1897

January 2. Marcus Schantz, a member of the Lodge, died at Newark, New Jersey, on December 31, 1896. The body was brought to Princeton for interment on January 2 and was met at the P. R. R. station by the Worshipful Master and about twenty-five members of the Lodge. A floral tribute was placed upon the casket and the remains were escorted to St. Paul's Cemetery, where they were buried according to the ritual of the Roman Catholic Church.

May 10. To the Grand Lodge fund for the purchase of the Masonic Home property at Burlington, the Lodge contributed \$125.00, which later was increased by a further contribution of \$25.00 on June 23, 1902. The Home was dedicated on June 24, 1898.

September 27. Among the visitors present was Brother Algernon M. Stubbs, Grand Turk Lodge No. 647, Turks Island, West Indies.

1899

May 8. On behalf of Twilight Lodge No. 114, of Columbia, Missouri, James K. Hickman was Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason by M. W. Josiah W. Ewan, Grand Master, who was present with members of his Grand Staff.

1900

September 24. The Lodge contributed \$25.00 to the Grand Lodge fund for relief of Galveston, Texas, flood sufferers.

December 10. Ernest Trow Carter was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. He was a graduate of Princeton University, Class of 1888. In college he was a member of the Glee Club, in which he played first cornet in the orchestra. He arranged and composed music for the Glee Club, led that organization in his Senior year and was assistant chapel organist. He composed the famous "Steps Song," and arranged the music for "Orange and Black," both especially for the students of the University. He was Organist of the Lodge in 1901. He dimitted from No. 38 on April 28, 1902.

1901

For their services during the year, the Secretary and Tyler were each paid \$25.00.

1902

March 24. William R. Matthews raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason by Deputy Grand Master, John H. Wilkins, assisted by several members of the Grand Staff.



BICKFORD BUILDING

116-122 NASSAU STREET

OCTOBER 1, 1914-FEBRUARY 1, 1930

JULY 1, 1940-JANUARY 1, 1950

1903

September 17. W. Holt Apgar, Grand Master, was present at the funeral service of John W. Fielder, Jr., Past Master. He closed the Lodge in Ample Form.

October 5. Rev. Pennington Corson, Pastor of the Princeton Methodist Church, was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. W. Holt Apgar, Grand Master, and several members of his Grand Staff, were present. The Grand Master closed the Lodge in Ample Form.

1904

March 4. Moses Taylor Pyne made a Mason "at sight" by W. Holt Apgar, Grand Master assisted by his Associate and Subordinate Grand Lodge officers and Past Grand Masters. The ceremony was held in the room of Princeton Lodge. This occasion was what is known as an "occasional" Lodge, which only a Grand Master has the prerogative and authority to convene for such a purpose. Following the conferring of the degrees "at sight," which made him a member of the Craft at large, Brother Pyne petitioned Princeton Lodge for membership by affiliation on March 14th, and was duly elected to membership on April 11th.

November 14. It was voted that the annual rental of the Lodge room to the Royal Arcanum be \$150.00 from January 1, 1905.

1905

December 11. It was voted that the salaries of the Secretary and Tyler, for the year 1906, should be \$30.00.

1906

April 23. The Lodge contributed \$50.00 to the Grand Lodge fund for relief and assistance for citizens of San Francisco in the earthquake and fire which had just devastated that city.

1907

June 14. The Lodge contributed \$100.00 to the Princeton Battle Monument Association.

1909 and 1910

For these two years the salaries of the Secretary and Tyler were set at \$30.00.

1911

Beginning January 1st, the salaries of the Secretary and Tyler were increased to \$60.00 per year.

1912

February 26. The Tyler presented a bill of sixty-five cents for cleaning spittoons, of which there were six or eight, with rubber mats under them, placed at strategic locations about the floor for "relief" of the brethren. They were in use up to the time the Lodge moved into the new room in the Bickford Building, where they were properly banned. Whether or not they could be classed as "working tools" is a moot question.

1913

April 28. The initiation fee was increased from \$30.00 to \$40.00, and the dues from \$6.00 to \$7.20.

1914

September 14. Chain collars for all officers were purchased to replace the old cloth collars, thus complying with the action of Grand Lodge at the annual Communication held on April 22 and 23, 1914.

September 28. The last meeting in the old Lodge room in Mercer Hall was held on this date, when the Entered Apprentice Degree was conferred upon Charles S. Sincerbeaux. During our tenancy in Mercer Hall, the Lodge room was heated by a large "pot-bellied" coal stove on the north side of the Lodge.

October 5. The first meeting (an emergent) was held in the new room in the Bickford Building, 116-122 Nassau Street, the site now being occupied by the F. W. Woolworth store. Charles P. Russ, Grand Master, and members of his Grand Staff were present. Lodge was opened at 6:30 o'clock, and closed in Ample Form at 7:12 o'clock by the Grand Master. From three until five o'clock in the afternoon there was a general reception for the members, their families and friends, music being furnished by Hickey's Orchestra of Trenton. Following closing of the Lodge at 7:12 o'clock, adjournment was had to the then Princeton Inn, now Miss Fine's School, for the banquet and entertainment. William L. Briner, Sr., was toastmaster, and the speakers were: Charles P. Russ, Grand Master; Edward M. Searing, Deputy Grand Master; W. Holt Apgar, Past Grand Master; A. Crozier Reeves, District Deputy; John Grier Hibben, President of Princeton University, and John D. Kilpatrick, of Hope Lodge No. 124, Orange, New Jersey. The arrangements by the committee were perfect in every detail and it was an outstanding occasion, one long to be remembered by those present.

For the new room, special contributions, as memorials, were donated as follows:

The Holy Bible	Mrs. Crowell Marsh
The Altar	Mrs. Charles A. Waite
Master's Chair	Mrs. Jesse V. Bickford and son, Percy R. Bickford
Senior and Junior Wardens' Chairs	Mrs. Emma M. Vandewater
Pedestal in the East	Henry B. Bayles
Pedestal in the West	Symmes H. Stillwell
Pedestal in the South	Miss Isabel F. Streeper
The Three Lesser Lights	William L. Briner, William E. Burke and Howard E. Wright
Treasurer's Desk and Chair	Howard D. Eldridge
Secretary's Desk and Chair	Detlef Struve and son, Frederick A. Struve
Silk Shades	William B. Purdy

October 26. The first degree conferred in the new room was the Fellow Craft, upon Charles S. Sincerbeaux. He was Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on November 23, 1914.

1915

January 25. The Trustees made their final report concerning the furniture, fixtures and equipment of the new Lodge room. Total contributions by members of the Lodge and others not members, \$2,459.75. The total cost of the furnishings was \$2,054.56, leaving a balance of \$405.19.

1916

February 14. The Lodge was visited by Edward M. Searing, Grand Master, in his official capacity, to ascertain and adjust problems that were assuming troublesome aspects. His remarks were of an admonitory nature and had a salutary effect upon the existing conditions.

June 26. The salary of the Secretary was increased to \$100.00 per year, retroactive to January 1, 1916.

1917

November 26. Lodge room subrented to Princeton Chapter No. 91, Order of the Eastern Star, for their meetings, at \$100.00 per year.

1919

May 26. The Lodge contributed \$25.00 to the Salvation Army for war services.

1920

March 8. Initiation fee increased to \$65.00 as of this date.

April 12. Tyler's salary increased to \$130.00 per year, of which the O. E. S. would pay \$50.00.

April 26. Salary of the Secretary increased in the amount of \$50.00.

October 25. Contribution of \$267.00 and assessment of \$116.55, making a total of \$383.55, to the George Washington National Masonic Memorial at Alexandria, Virginia.

1921

January 24. One hundred dollars contributed for relief of the starving children of Europe. Lantern and slides authorized and purchased for illustration of the lectures of the three degrees, the total cost of which was \$132.11.

March 14. The Lodge presented a Commander's chair to Princeton Post No. 76, American Legion.

March 28. One hundred dollars contributed to the fund for the relief of sufferers in the Chinese famine.

1922

June 12. The Lodge contributed \$250.00 to the Fund for construction of a World War Memorial in Princeton.

June 25. Members of the Lodge, their families and friends, numbering about one hundred twenty, visited the Masonic Home at Burlington, to inspect the institution and to visit with Brother and Mrs. James Hulton, who were guests at the Home.

July 1. John J. Stryker, Tyler, resigned, having served over a period of 39 years. John H. Belue was appointed to serve from this date.

1923

November 5. The Lodge was visited by Frank C. Sayrs, Grand Master, and members of his Staff. The Grand Master raised Harry H. Kerr, Jr., to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason; he also placed a wreath on the Princeton Battle Monument.

December 10. Initiation fee increased to \$90.00.

1924

April 28. Fifty dollars contributed to the borough home for the poor and needy.



THOMSON HALL
50 STOCKTON STREET

FEBRUARY 1, 1930-JULY 1, 1940

1925

January 26. One hundred fifty dollars in gold presented to James L. Briner, Sr., who was raised in No. 38 on April 16, 1866.

June 8. The Railroad Square Club, of Trenton, conferred the Master Mason Degree upon Otto Richard Mey, a railroad employee, who was one of a class of three raised on this date.

June 25. About 125 members of the Lodge, with their families and friends, visited the Masonic Home at Burlington.

December 14. Salary of Secretary increased to a basis of one dollar per member for the total membership at the end of the year.

December 28. Reception in Crescent Temple, Trenton, to the Grand Master, by the Lodges of the 15th District.

1926

February 22. Two hundred eighty-five dollars authorized by the Lodge for charitable purposes.

June 28. The Lodge contributed \$500.00 to the Building Fund of Princeton Hospital.

November 22. R. W. Bro. A. Boylan Fitz-Gerald, Grand Chaplain, gave an interesting and instructive address on the work of the Masonic Service Association.

1927

February 14. One hundred fifty dollars was authorized for charitable purposes.

1928

May 28. Seventy-nine dollars and fifty cents contributed to the Grand Lodge Fund for installation of an organ by the Grand Lodge of New Jersey in the George Washington National Masonic Memorial at Alexandria, Virginia.

June 25. Three hundred seventy-five dollars expended for fraternal relief.

October 8. Thirty-two dollars contributed to the Grand Lodge fund for relief of brethren in Florida and Puerto Rico, who were sufferers from a disastrous storm.

October 30. Entertainment and dance at Thomson Hall, under auspices of the Lodge.

November 26. Forty dollars authorized for charitable purposes.

1929

October 14. Rent of Lodge room in the former Bickford Building increased to \$160.00 per month by the new owners, the Wrico Corporation. The Lodge voted to move to the top floor of Thomson Hall, 50 Stockton Street, at a rental of \$100.00 per month, with a five-year lease.

November 11. Lodge dues increased to \$10.00 per year.

1930

February 10. First meeting held in the new room in Thomson Hall, 50 Stockton Street.

February 24. The first degree conferred in the new room in Thomson Hall was the Entered Apprentice Degree, upon Elliott Bumstead Poole.

March 17. The first Master Mason Degree in Thomson Hall was conferred on this date. M. W. Benjamin F. Havens, Grand Master, and members of his staff, were present and assisted in the work.

April 28. The Princeton Shrine Club visited the Lodge in a body, the occasion being the Master Mason Degree upon two candidates.

October 13. Address by Reverend Brother Sylvester W. Beach on his travels through the Holy Land and other countries.

1932

February 26. The Lodge was visited by M. W. W Stanley Naughtright, Grand Master, and members of his staff, to participate in the bi-centennial observance by the Lodge of the birth of George Washington. Francis P. Morton, Junior Grand Warden, gave an inspiring and instructive address on "Lodge Etiquette."

March 10. The Lodge was host to the ladies upon the occasion of Ladies' Night. Charles S. Van Syckel, well-known local comedian, entertained with Scotch character songs, with Miss Frieda Seidensticker (now Mrs. George R. Bowers) as accompanist. The Princeton Quartet rendered selections, and dancing followed. The affair was held in Thomson Hall.

April 25. On this date occurred the death of James L. Briner, Sr. Had he lived until September 18th he would have rounded out one hundred years. He was born in Reading, Pennsylvania, on September 18, 1832. Although he did not accept the office of Worshipful Master, yet he served as Junior Deacon from 1867 to 1871, as Senior Deacon from 1877 to 1879, as Junior Warden in 1872, and as Senior Warden from 1873 to 1876, in 1880 and 1881. At the time of his death he was the oldest member of the Lodge.

May 12. The officers and a group of members of the Lodge attended the dedication of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial in Alexandria, Virginia.

November 27. Visitation at the Masonic Home, Burlington, by the officers and members of the Lodge, and their families and friends.

1933

April 24. Interesting and instructive address on "Fingerprints," by Russell A. Snook, Supervisor of the New Jersey State Police at the time and now the head of that organization.

May 8. Address on "The Northeast Corner," by Brother Joseph W. Wyks, of Bordentown.

September 25. The Trustees reported that the old Lodge room furniture would be taken from storage and placed in the Princeton Methodist Church for use by the Church.

October 5. George B. Rollings, Sr., Worshipful Master, and Harry E. Hutchinson, Past Master, attended the conferring of the Master Mason Degree at the Masonic Home, held by Dispensation of the Grand Master for the benefit and enjoyment of the male guests at the Home.

1934

May 28. Initiation fee reduced from \$90.00 to \$65.00.

June 24. Members of the Lodge, their families and friends, visited the Masonic Home at Burlington.

June 25. A reception to Brother Harry E. Hutchinson, newly elected Junior Grand Warden of the Grand Lodge, was held in the Lodge room.

November 26. Edwin L. and Ralph B. Kimble, sons of Ralph E. Kimble, were Raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason by their father.

December 3. The Lodge attended the seventeenth birthday observance of Princeton Chapter No. 91, O. E. S., held in Thomson Hall.

1935

February 25. In the "History of Freemasonry in New Jersey" (1937), by David McGregor, Grand Historian, mention is made of the two Military Lodges that operated in New Jersey in the Continental Army during the War of the Revolution, which Lodges functioned by virtue of authority from the Provincial Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. Of one of these Military Lodges, the Reverend Andrew Hunter was Worshipful Master. Andrew Hunter was a son of David Hunter, an officer in the British Army and resident of Virginia, where Andrew was born in 1752. He was graduated from Princeton College in 1772, studied for the minis-

try, and, in 1804, became Professor of Mathematics and Astronomy in the college from which he was graduated. His second wife was Mary Stockton, daughter of Richard Stockton, the Signer, by whom he had three sons, one of whom was Louis Boudinot Hunter. Miss Sarah Hale Hunter, for many years a resident of Princeton, and long since deceased, was a daughter of Louis Boudinot Hunter and a granddaughter of Andrew Hunter.

For many years she had in her possession the Masonic apron of her grandfather; also, a certificate inscribed in Latin, French and English, dated January 27, 1780, and certifying that he was a regular member of Lodge No. 19 of the Province of Pennsylvania. While this was a Pennsylvania Lodge, yet a large number of the New Jersey troops were members, and, when the various brigades were dispersed, it left the New Jersey members of No. 19 without a Lodge or a Warrant to hold Masonic Communications. Twenty of these New Jersey members petitioned the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania for a Warrant for a Military Lodge within their own ranks, which request was granted and a Warrant duly issued on September 2, 1782, creating Lodge No. 36. Among the twenty who petitioned for this new Lodge was Andrew Hunter, who was appointed its first Worshipful Master and installed as such on December 11, 1782. The Reverend Andrew Hunter was the first regularly appointed Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, serving in that office during the year 1802.

On December 13, 1926, Miss Hunter presented Princeton Lodge with the apron and certificate of her grandfather, and the Lodge, on February 25, 1935, presented them to the Grand Lodge of New Jersey for its museum of Masonic articles of historic interest. At this time, the gavel presented to the Lodge on April 22, 1889, by Leroy H. Anderson, was included in the gift to Grand Lodge.

March 25. Lecture on "Masonry in China," by Brother Roy Allgood, P. M., Corinthian Lodge No. 1806, Amoy, China, jurisdiction of Great Britain. Very interesting and instructive.

December 8. The Lodge attended the evening service in the Princeton Methodist Church in observance of "Go to Church" request of the Grand Master. Thirty-nine members were in attendance.

1936

January 1. Commencing this date, rent of the Lodge room in Thomson Hall was reduced to \$1,000.00 per year.

April 5. The Lodge attended the Methodist Church in response to the request of the Grand Master for the annual observance of "Go to Church" Sunday.

April 15. No. 38 joined with all the Lodges in New Jersey in a State-wide rededication and reconsecration to the ancient spirit and tenets of Freemasonry.

May 8. The Lodge held a Ladies' Night, with the members of the Eastern Star Chapter as special guests.

June 28. A large delegation of members of the Lodge, their families and friends, visited the Masonic Home at Burlington.

November 9. Complying with the request of the Grand Lodge, No. 38 held a special service in the Lodge room to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the formation of the Grand Lodge on December 18, 1786.

November 22. The Lodge attended the evening service at the Second Presbyterian Church. A special sermon was preached by the Reverend Bro. David B. Tomkins.

December 14. Address by John V. D. Lawyer, of Hopewell Lodge, covering the Morgan episode.

1937

April 12. Brother Clinton J. Campbell, Sergeant of the New Jersey State Police, gave a very interesting talk on the Flood District and his experiences as a Trooper.

May 14. Emergent Communication of Princeton Lodge held in the Ionic room of the Trenton Temple, for the purpose of holding a dinner and reception to Harry E. Hutchinson, who was elected Grand Master at the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge held on April 21-22. This meeting and reception were held in the Trenton Temple because of the inadequacy of our Lodge room to accommodate the large number of brethren in attendance. The dinner was served by MacAllister, of Philadelphia.

September 16. At Washington, D. C., was held a special meeting to commemorate the 150th Anniversary of the formation of the Constitution of the United States, in the shaping of which Masons of that day had an important part. The Grand Lodge, F. A. A. M., of the District of Columbia, in co-operation with the Sesquicentennial Commission, sponsored a great gathering of Masons, among them the Grand Masters of the Thirteen Original States, each of whom spoke briefly. The Grand Lodge of New Jersey was represented by its Grand Master. The principal address was given by Honorable William E. Borah, Senator from Idaho.

November 26. "Gold Collar Night" in the room of Princeton Lodge. Harry E. Hutchinson, Grand Master, and members of the Grand Staff, were present and assisted in raising four candidates to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. The lecture was given by Arthur M. Dietrich, Deputy Grand Master.

1938

February 14. No. 38 visited by Howard R. Cruse, Past Grand Master, who gave an inspiring address on "George Washington—a Man and a Mason."

April 25. Brother Charles R. Erdman, Jr., Mayor of Princeton, gave a very interesting talk on "Local Government Survey."

May 9. Cooper H. Prickett, Past Grand Master, visited the Lodge and spoke concerning the enlargement of the Masonic Home and the need of funds for this work.

May 23. One hundred eleven dollars and fifty cents reported as collected up to this time for the addition to the Home as mentioned above.

June 27. Brother Willard V. Errickson, Manager of the Trenton Branch of the Masonic Bureau, gave an instructive talk on the various phases of the operation of the Bureau.

November 28. Brother and Captain William Paul Youngs, a friend and college classmate of Robert C. Miller, Worshipful Master, was present and spoke on "Masonry in the Southern Republics." At the close of the meeting there was a showing of films produced by the Pan-American Airways System.

December 26. C. Lyle Hageman, Senior Grand Warden, visited the Lodge and gave an interesting address.

1939

January 23. After the Lodge was closed, the brethren were entertained by two movie films, one a comedy and the other showing the timber industry of the Northwest country entitled "Trees and Men." This picture was particularly interesting and instructive, showing the timbering and milling operations of the Weyerhaeuser Timber Company, of Tacoma, Washington, through whose courtesy the film was shown.

April 23. Complying with the request of the Grand Master, the Lodge held a Memorial Service in Trinity Episcopal Church, commemorating the 150th Anniversary of the inauguration of George Washington as the first President of the United States on April 30, 1789. Bro. Charles G. Osgood, Senior Warden, and Bro. Walter R. Fleet read passages from the Scriptures; the offering was taken by Past Masters Irving W. Mershon and Robert C. Miller, and received at the altar by Ernest G. Hunt, Worshipful Master. Harry E. Hutchinson, Past Grand Master, gave the commemorative address.

November 5. In response to the request of the Grand Master for the annual observance of "Go to Church" Sunday, the Lodge attended the evening service at the First Presbyterian Church.

November 9. Master Mason Night at Princeton Chapter No. 91, O. E. S., at which members of No. 38 were present as guests of the Chapter.

December 21. The Lodge voted to adopt the report and recommendation of the Trustees, that we accept the offer of Mrs. Kate R. Bickford to rent the top floor of 116-122 Nassau Street (our former quarters) at a yearly rental of \$720.00, with a lease covering a ten-year period, to be occupied as soon as necessary repairs and alterations could be effected. The occupancy to commence July 1, 1940, with privilege of subrenting to the Eastern Star.

1940

January 8. Bro. Curt O. H. Kayser, Past Master, gave a very interesting talk on his travels abroad, as well as his adventures in leaving Germany and Europe on the eve of the war.

February 26. At the close of Lodge, Howard W. Stepp, Registrar of Princeton University, spoke on "What happened in Poland in the Summer of 1939."

March 25. At the close of Lodge, a movie was shown, "The New Oregon Trail."

April 22. Bro. Edwin W. Kemmerer spoke on some of his experiences as a "money doctor" to various ailing governments.

April 26. The Lodge united with the Princeton Shrine Club in a "Ladies Night and Family Party" at the Princeton Inn. Dinner, followed by excellent entertainment and dancing, made this an outstanding event. The members of the committee from the Lodge were: Robert C. Miller, Horace N. Dickey, George C. Knaefler, Ernest G. Hunt and Leonard F. Kraus.

June 24. Final meeting held in Thomson Hall, when the Fellow Craft Degree was conferred on Entered Apprentices Charles Wesley Schisler and Wallace Frederick Crandall.

August 17. First meeting held in the new room in the Bickford Building, being an Emergent Communication for the purpose of conducting a Masonic Service for Brother James A. Wilson.

September 9. The Lodge was visited by C. Lyle Hageman, Grand Master, who gave a talk on various matters of Grand Lodge.

October 14. Twenty-five dollars was contributed to Princeton Community Chest. At the close of the meeting, Bro. Paul Nettl, member of a Lodge in Prague, spoke on ancient and modern Masonic music.

November 25. Bro. William L. Tucker gave a most interesting talk on his travels and experiences in Siberia as a Y. M. C. A. Secretary.

December 8. The Lodge attended the evening service at the Second Presbyterian Church.

December 9. The Trustees reported that the total cost of alterations, painting, furnishings, etc., of the room on the top floor of the Bickford Building, was \$1,865.20.

December 12. Eastern Star Birthday Party and Master Mason Night. Members of the Lodge were present as guests.

1941

January 13. A five-branched candelabra was presented to the Lodge by Charles G. Osgood, Past Master, for use at the annual memorial service for deceased brethren. It was an old Russian piece that probably had belonged to a Russian Jewish family. The five branches had a peculiar significance to the Jews, being a symbol of faith. The candelabra was adorned with two couchant lions facing each other, and which, to the Jews, represented the Lion of the Tribe of Judah and, therefore, are of special significance to us also. It will be most useful to the Lodge in years to come. Its significance will be an ever-recurring reminder to us of our faith in God and of our dependence on the strength of the Lion of the Tribe of Judah in our hour of extreme need.

The candle-snuffer, used in connection with the Lesser Lights, was also the gift of Brother Osgood.

February 13. Ladies' Night, with banquet and entertainment at the Princeton Inn. No. 38 and the Eastern Star Chapter united to make this a delightful and memorable occasion.

May 26. Voted by the Lodge to set aside sixty cents of the annual dues of the members in a special Charity Fund for use by the Lodge for charitable purposes among our own members.

May 26. The Lodge observed this as "John R. B. Slayback Night," in recognition of his twenty-six years of service as Secretary of the Lodge. He was presented with a beautiful silver bowl.

October 27. Twenty-five dollars donated to the Princeton Community Chest.

November 5. Officers and members of the Lodge attended the 25th Anniversary of True Craftsman Lodge No. 202 in Trenton.

November 15. The Lodge visited the Masonic Home in Burlington.

December 8. The Order of De Molay gave an exemplification of the degree work of the Chapter, which was greatly enjoyed.

December 22. Ten dollars was contributed to the local chapter of the Red Cross.

1942

February 23. Bro. Wesley H. Owens, of Trenton Lodge No. 5, presented the Lodge with a framed copy of the Ulster County Gazette of January 4, 1800, which contained a full account of the death of Bro. George Washington.

April 13. After the Lodge was closed, the Reverend D. Buchanan gave a talk on Japan and the fight of that country to dominate the Pacific.

October 12. The Lodge donated \$25.00 to the Princeton Community Chest.

December 14. The Lodge donated \$10.00 to the United China Relief Fund.

1943

May 10. The Lodge authorized \$329.95 for charitable purposes among needy families in the Lodge.

June 9. Reception to R. W. William L. Tucker, recently appointed Grand Chaplain, held in the social hall of the Second Presbyterian Church. The Reverend Bro. Elmer G. Homrighausen was the speaker of the evening.

June 28. The Railroad Square Club, of Jersey City, visited No. 38 and conferred the Master Mason Degree upon a class of candidates, all of whom were railroad men.

July 4. A service was held in the Second Presbyterian Church to honor those of our members who were in the service of our country.

September 27. The Lodge contributed \$10.00 to the First Aid Unit of Princeton Engine Company No. 1.

October 25. The Lodge contributed \$25.00 to Princeton Community Chest, and \$25.00 to the United Service Order.

November 22. The Lodge donated \$20.00 to the Piano Fund of the O. E. S.

December 13. Dues of members serving in the armed forces of our country during World War 2, remitted by the Lodge.

1944

February 14. The Lodge was invited by the O. E. S. to attend their annual Master Masons' Night, to be held on February 24th.

March 27. Salary of the Secretary increased to \$325.00 per year.

May 22. Resolution adopted by the Lodge that \$10.00 be paid monthly to the Trustees' Fund, and that \$50.00 of each initiation fee also be placed in this fund.

September 11. It was reported that Brother Entered Apprentice Charles A. Downs was killed in action in France on August 7, 1944.

October 9. The Reverend Bro. Charles F. Mayhew, of Trenton, gave an address on "What Are You Worth?", which was greatly enjoyed and gave much food for thought.

October 23. The Lodge donated \$25.00 to Princeton Community Chest, and \$25.00 to the U. S. O. (War Services Fund).

1945

April 9. The Lodge donated \$25.00 to the Princeton Girl Scout Council.

May 13. In response to a request from M. W. John S. Caie, Grand Master, a service of thanksgiving and praise for our victory in World War 2 in Europe, was held in the Second Presbyterian Church. The members attended in a body, wearing aprons and jewels of office. Brother J. Lawrence Pitt, a member of No. 38, gave an inspiring and thought-provoking sermon from the text. "And thou say in thine heart, my power and the might of mine hand hath gotten me this victory."

May 14. At the close of the Lodge the brethren were entertained with an illustrated lecture on "The Great Pyramids in relation to Biblical prophecies."

June 25. The Lodge was visited by M. W. John S. Caie, Grand Master, and members of his staff, for the purpose of presenting a Gold Token to Brother Wilhelm Conrad Durner, who was Entered on April 22, 1895, Crafted on May 27, 1895, and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on June 24, 1895. Brother Durner closed the Lodge in Ample Form, under a Dispensation granted to him by the Grand Master so to do.

October 8. The Lodge contributed \$50.00 to the Princeton Community Chest. Brother Ulric Dahlgren gave an interesting talk on "Captain Coffin's Oath." Captain Coffin was a citizen of Nantucket, Massachusetts. As a very young man he shipped on a whaler and it was nine years before he returned to his home port. He then vowed that he would never set sail on salt water again, and lived up to it.

1946

April 22. The Lodge contributed \$25.00 to the Cancer Fund, through the Princeton committee.

May 25. The Lodges of the 15th District held a dinner and reception in the Trenton Temple to honor R. W. Randall P. Voorhees, who had

resigned as District Deputy. He was presented with a gift, toward the cost of which each Lodge in the District contributed \$25.00.

June 28. Robert Maskiell Hutchinson was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason by his father, M. W. Harry E. Hutchinson, Past Grand Master.

November 11. The Lodge contributed \$50.00 to the Princeton Community Chest.

December 23. The annual salary of the Secretary was set at \$250.00, retroactive to January 1, 1946.

1947

April 14. At the close of Lodge, Brother James L. Dougherty showed motion pictures. The principal film portrayed the operations of the Curtis Publishing Company, of Philadelphia, from the forest to the finished magazines.

May 12. At the close of Lodge, an illustrated lecture on "Increasing Our Vision," was given by Cyril N. Hoyler, a research engineer at the laboratories of the Radio Corporation of America.

October 13. The Lodge contributed \$25.00 to the Princeton Community Chest.

1948

February 12. Master Mason Night at Chapter 91, O. E. S., to which the Lodge was invited.

October 11. The Lodge was visited by seventeen members of the P. R. R. Square Club, of New York City, honoring Raymond E. Whitlock, Worshipful Master, a member of the Club. The Club presented Brother Whitlock with a handsome gavel.

November 11. The Lodge contributed \$25.00 to the Masonic Service Association of the United States.

November 21. The Lodge attended the evening service in the Second Presbyterian Church.

December 11. Bro. J. Lawrence Pitt, a member of No. 38, was the speaker at the Annual Feast of St. John, in Trenton.

1949

January 10. At the close of Lodge, the boys of the De Molay Chapter were presented with pins by Robert L. Harvey, Worshipful Master. Bro. Ralph S. Holmes showed colored slides of pictures taken by him on various trips in the United States.

January 24. "Surprise Night" in the Lodge. It had been previously arranged to have members purposely commit violations of some of the rules and regulations of Grand Lodge, followed by explanation of the violation, all of which was for instruction and enlightenment of both old and new members.

January 24. The Order of De Molay was granted permission to hold their meetings in our Lodge room. The Lodge voted a donation of \$25.00 towards their expenses.

February 24. Master Mason Night at Chapter 91, O. E. S., to which the Lodge was invited.

February 28. Randolph R. Applegate, Senior Warden, gave an interesting talk on how a Lodge met and transacted business 200 years ago, being a report on Union Lodge No. 5, Middletown, Delaware.

March 14. The Lodge adopted a resolution to sponsor a De Molay Chapter, and to supervise, guide and assist them.

September 12. The Lodge adopted a resolution to occupy the second floor of the building being erected by Bro. Carl C. Schafer at 350-352 Nassau Street. To help Brother Schafer in financing the extra second floor for our benefit (he had planned only a one-story building), it was voted to borrow \$5,000.00 on a note at the Princeton Bank and Trust Company, the note to be secured by an assignment to the bank of a \$22,000.00 mortgage upon the premises, made by Carl C. and Lillian A. Schafer to Princeton Lodge No. 38. This note has since been paid in full.

September 26. Those present at Lodge were divided into two groups, one composed of the Wardens and Past Masters, the other group of all other brethren present. A series of questions, True or False, was then asked. The answers were interesting and instructive, and brought out the fact that many of the members were not as enlightened on Masonic laws and procedure as they should be.

October 24. The Lodge contributed \$25.00 to the Princeton Community Chest. After Lodge was closed, the Initiatory Degree of the De Molay was conferred on a class of candidates for the benefit of the Lodge. Bro. Fred Vandevanter, news commentator, was present and explained that the Initiatory Degree is preparatory to the one following, which is a portrayal of the life of Jacques De Molay, who was Grand Master of the Knights Templar during the days of the Inquisition.

November 28. Resolution adopted authorizing the Trustees to enter into a five-year lease of the entire second floor of Brother Schafer's new building at 350-352 Nassau Street, at a yearly rental of \$1,500.00, beginning January 1, 1950. At this meeting various members of the Lodge volunteered to donate blood to the blood-bank being conducted at Princeton Hospital.

December 12. It was voted that the Lodge loan such of our old furniture to the Hook and Ladder Company as they may want, until such time as the Lodge may need it again. This was the old leather chairs and settees used by the Lodge when it occupied Mercer Hall, and which had been stored on the landing at the west end of the room in the Bickford Building.

December 12. Brother Fellow Crafts John Griggs Stryker, Harry Roger Slayback and William Henry Karch were raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason. This was the last degree to be conferred in the former Bickford Building.

December 26. The Lodge held its final meeting in the former Bickford Building, at which time the officers for 1950 were elected, and duly installed by R. W. Charles K. Houck, District Deputy.

1950

January 9. The Lodge met for the first time in its new room in the Schafer Building.

January 23. The first degree to be conferred in the new Lodge room was that of Entered Apprentice upon a class of five.

February 23. Master Mason Night at Chapter 91, O. E. S., to which the Lodge was invited.

May 8. The electric clock in the Lodge room was presented to the Lodge by Brother and Mrs. Frederick A. Struve as a memorial to their son, Bro. Frederick A. Struve, Jr., who served his country with distinction in World War II as a Lieutenant Commander in the U. S. Navy, and who was accidentally killed in Montreal, Canada, on June 4, 1949, in an accident which occurred while he was supervising the loading of an oil-tanker, the S. S. *Bidwell* of the Sun Oil Company, of which he was chief officer.

October 23. The Lodge contributed \$25.00 to the Princeton Community Chest.

November 13. Permission granted to Chapter 91, O. E. S., to use the Lodge room for a Chapter of the Rainbow Girls.

In 1950 a senior in Princeton University was assigned the task of writing a thesis on "Freemasonry." For information and enlightenment as to the tenets of the Fraternity, its age, its method of operation, and its function in community, state and nation, he wrote to the Grand General Secretary of the Scottish Rite Bodies of the Massachusetts Consistory, at Boston. The reply of the Secretary was published in the August, 1950, number of *Square and Compass*, a monthly magazine of Masonry published in Denver, Colorado. It was a masterpiece, and worthy of being considered a thesis in itself, being extremely interesting and instructive to Masons

everywhere. It was incisive in its logic, lucid in expression, and most convincing. Would that this reply could be included here in full, but nine pages were necessary for its publication in the magazine in question.

1951

March 12. After Lodge was closed, Brother Ralph S. Holmes showed color pictures taken by him on his trip to Europe during the summer.

April 23. At the close of Lodge, a few visitors, not members of the Craft, were admitted, and Bro. Fred Vandeventer, news commentator, gave a very interesting address on the Truman-MacArthur affair, concluding with an instructive talk on Freemasonry.

1952

January 28. The Lodge contributed \$25.00 to the March of Dimes Polio Fund.

February 28. Master Mason Night at Chapter 91, O. E. S., to which the Lodge was invited.

May 26. After the Lodge was closed, Cyril N. Hoyler, research engineer at the Radio Corporation of America, gave an interesting and instructive talk on some of the latest electronic apparatus developed by the laboratory. Several friends of members were present to enjoy the talk.

September 8. After the close of Lodge, Bro. Ralph S. Holmes, Worshipful Master, showed pictures taken by him on his trip in July to Alaska, Japan, Korea and Hawaii. The pictures were very beautiful and of great interest, but many of them showed the deplorable conditions under which our boys were living over there.

October 13. The Lodge contributed \$25.00 to the Princeton Community Chest.

1953

February 12. Chapter 91, O. E. S., observed its annual Master Masons' Night, the members of No. 38 being guests of the Chapter.

April 15. Permission granted to the Radio Square Club of the R. C. A. Laboratories to hold two meetings in the Lodge room in each year, one in April and one in October.

April 15. It was reported by the Grand Master that the 1952 Thanksgiving Day donations by the Lodges of the State, for the Masonic Home and Charity Foundation, amounted to well over \$60,000.00, in which No. 38 shared to the extent of \$204.00.

April 27. Two films were shown at the close of the meeting, one on the construction of the Fairless Steel Plant at Morrisville, Pennsylvania, and the other on the making of steel.

September 28. Salary of the Secretary increased to \$300.00 per year, retroactive to January 1, 1953.

October 12. The Lodge contributed \$27.50 to the Princeton Community Chest.

1954

January 11. The members of the Lodge were guests of Chapter 91, O. E. S., at their annual Master Masons' Night held on January 28th.

January 25. The Lodge contributed at the rate of ten cents per member to the March of Dimes Polio Fund, the total being \$32.80.

January 25. Brothers William H. Rhodes, George J. Knowles, Robert H. Schafer, Walter B. Foster, and Charles G. Osgood were appointed as a committee to plan and arrange for the One Hundredth Anniversary of No. 38, to be held on or about January 9, 1956.

February 22. The Lodge informally observed the birthday of Brother George Washington. The program consisted of the salute to the Flag, singing of a hymn and the national anthem, with an address by Charles K. Houck, D. D. G. M., on "George Washington, the Man and the Mason," and of the part played by Masons in the formative days of our country.

June 28. The Lodge honored its Past Masters by having them confer the Master Mason Degree upon a class of five candidates.

November 8. At the close of the meeting De Molay members and sons of Masons were admitted to enjoy pictures of Santa Barbara, California, and movies of the 1950 Yale-Princeton football game, shown by Bro. John A. Stewart.

December 6. A beautiful new Fellow Craft stair canvas was purchased, replacing the old canvas, which was greatly dilapidated, having been in use for the past fifty or more years. The new canvas was purchased from the C. E. Ward Company, New London, Ohio. It greatly enhanced the work of that degree and we were pleased to add it to our paraphernalia.

December 13. Annual memorial service held, commemorating the passing during the year of Brothers Frank F. Pierson, Frederick S. Cook and Willard S. Atkinson.

Twenty-five dollars donated to the Princeton Community Chest.

Officers for 1955 installed by Charles K. Houck, D. D. G. M., at the conclusion of which he gave a brief but inspiring talk on the welfare of the

Craft and its influence in the community. He also spoke of the work done at the Home in Burlington, and suggested that a contribution be made to the Christmas Fund for the benefit of the guests. A total of \$28.63 was contributed by those present and sent to the Superintendent of the Home.

1955

January 10. Among the visitors present was Bro. Robert N. Merrett, a member of Sturt Lodge No. 427, Ballarat, Victoria, Australia. Brother Merrett is pursuing a special course of study at the Graduate College of Princeton University.

January 18. The Past Masters organized themselves into an association to help, aid and assist the officers in their duties and problems each year. As of December 31, 1955, the officers of the Association are: Wilbur F. Kerr, President; William H. Lahey, Vice-President; James Pace, Secretary and Treasurer.

January 24. Brother William L. Tucker gave a very interesting and enlightening address on "Why Do We Have to Have Strikes?"

January 25. A seven-volume set of Mackey's *History of Freemasonry* was presented to the Lodge by Mrs. Edward D. Townsend, a resident of Rocky Hill, New Jersey, whose husband was a member of Holland Lodge No. 8, of New York, who died on December 27th, and for whom Princeton Lodge held a memorial service on behalf of Holland Lodge.

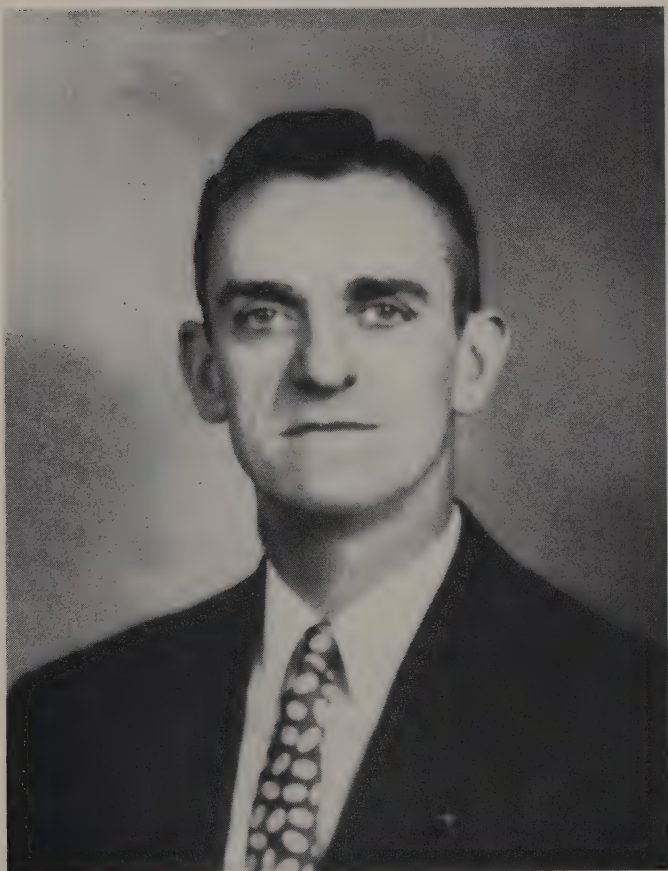
May 9. After Lodge was closed Bro. Clark E. Bricker, of the Department of Chemistry of Princeton University, entertained with a demonstration of chemical magic, which was greatly enjoyed.

June 13. On behalf of Grand Lodge a Gold Token was presented to Bro. Benjamin Franklin Bunn by Charles K. Houck, D. D. G. M.

At this meeting Brother Wilhelm C. Durner was called to the East and presented with a beautifully engrossed scroll commemorating his sixtieth anniversary as a member of Princeton Lodge.

December 12. Officers for 1956 were elected and appointed as follows: William H. Rhodes, W. M.; Robert Drummond, S. W.; Richard C. Winship, J. W.; Edward B. Snook, Treas.; Walter B. Foster, Sec.; Wilbur W. Goyette, Chaplain; Milo L. Wadlin, S. D.; Benjamin Kahn, J. D.; Henry D. Hohl, Jr., S. M. C.; John C. Yeoman, J. M. C.; George B. Rollings, Jr., S. S.; Percival B. Silvester, Jr., J. S.; Myron E. LaVake, Marshal; John S. Bruce, Tyler; Matthew B. Maxwell, Proxy to Grand Lodge; Harry E. Hutchinson, Historian; Torleiv Rosfjord, Committee on Education and Service. The Trustees are: Carl C. Schafer, Sr., Ralph S. Holmes and William M. Karch, whose terms expire, respectively, in December 1956, 1957 and 1958.

December 31. During the year 1955 members of Princeton Lodge No. 38 contributed \$372.50 to the building fund for the new wing for the infirmary at the Masonic Home in Burlington.



WILLIAM H. RHODES, W. M.
1956

ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Lodge is fortunate in having a complete file of photographs of all the Worshipful Masters from 1855 to the present year, which are kept in Memorial Albums, marked with the name and year or years of service of each one.

With the exception of the year 1858, Princeton Lodge No. 38 has been represented at the Annual Communications of Grand Lodge. The reason for the lapse of that single year could not be ascertained. During the years of the Civil War the Lodge did not fail to answer the roll-call of the Lodges at Grand Lodge.

From 1855 to 1865 the Lodge voted on a candidate's proficiency in the work of the E. A. and F. C. Degrees, which procedure was discontinued and replaced by the prerogative vested in the Worshipful Master to determine the candidate's preparedness for advancement.

On January 13, 1868, Charles O. Hudnut, Past Master, was appointed Historian and Librarian of the Lodge, and two volumes to start a library were donated by Charles H. Olden.

From 1855 to December 31, 1887, the closing statement in the minutes of each meeting was: "The Lodge closed in peace and harmony at . . . P. M." Since then the closing statement has been: "The Lodge was closed in Due and Ancient Form at . . . P. M." However, after 1937, when the hour was late, the Worshipful Master frequently requested a Past Grand Master, who is a member of the Lodge, to close in Ample Form.

The pedestals for the three Lesser Lights are part of the original furniture used when the Lodge was located in Mercer Hall, 126 Nassau Street, having been purchased after the fire of June 6, 1874. They link us to the years gone by and are mute reminders of those brethren who pioneered in Princeton Lodge and have gone on before us. Theirs was the labor and sacrifice, ours the heritage and enjoyment.

On November 27, 1905, the Committee on the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Lodge reported adversely against holding it, because of the prohibitive cost and the low finances of the Lodge. The 100th Anniversary is the only one in the life of the Lodge that has been officially observed.

The G in the East of the Lodge room is the gift of Brothers Gideon B. Godown, George F. Karch and Carl C. Schafer, Sr.

Brother Marcus S. Farr (deceased) was duly elected and installed as Worshipful Master for the year 1917, but served only a very brief period, being called to duty in World War I. He served in the U. S. Army slightly over two years, both in this country and in Europe. His term as Worshipful Master was completed with distinction and honor by

Milford H. Van Cleve, Senior Warden, who, in 1918, also answered his country's call to service.

Two members of Princeton Lodge No. 38 have been Potentates of Crescent Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., Marcus S. Farr in 1935 and 1936 and Ernest R. Kerr in 1938 and 1939.

The Reverend Bro. John Lawrence Pitt, of No. 38, is Secretary of the Scottish Rite bodies in Trenton, having been elected to that office on May 7, 1946.

Five of our members have been honored with the 33°: Marcus S. Farr (deceased), Ernest R. Kerr, John Lawrence Pitt, George C. Knaefler and George R. Griffing.

A delegation of about thirty members attended Garibaldi Lodge, New York, on March 19, 1935, and witnessed the conferring of the Entered Apprentice Degree in the manner peculiar to that Lodge.

On May 14, 1935, members of the Lodge visited Mozart Lodge No. 436, Philadelphia, this being the only Lodge in that jurisdiction in which music is permitted. It was established by musicians and named in honor of Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, the famous composer, who was made a Mason in a Lodge in Vienna, Austria, in 1784. The visit was arranged by Bro. William R. Flinn, a teacher in Princeton High School and a member of that Lodge.

The room of No. 38 is also used by the Mary Ellen Assembly, Order of the Rainbow Girls.

William C. Sinclair, Past Master, a guest at the Masonic Home, died there on October 18, 1946. On October 20th the officers and several members journeyed to the Home at Burlington and conducted a Masonic Service. Princeton Lodge has had a total of eight guests at the Home since its dedication on June 24, 1898, with three dependents of brethren having received outside financial assistance and one receiving assistance at the present time.

In 1933 the Lodges of the 15th and 28th Districts formed a bowling league, all games being rolled at the Curtis alleys in Trenton. Brothers Ernest G. Hunt, Ralph E. Kimble and George B. Rollings, Sr., were appointed a committee to represent No. 38 in its formation and operation. The league functioned for four full seasons, but was disbanded during the season of 1937-38, due to difficulty in getting sufficient members to make a team, general decline of interest, and other adverse conditions. Gerrit V. D. Cortelyou was captain of No. 38's team for the 1933-34 season, Robert A. Benham for 1934-35 and 1935-36, Ernest G. Hunt for 1936-37, and John Vandenberg for 1937-38. During Brother Hunt's captaincy No. 38 finished as the second best team, Brother Benham won the cup for the highest average score for the season, and Brother Vandenberg won the prize for the highest individual score. The league

was a big factor in bringing the Lodges of the two Districts closer together, and more firmly uniting the brethren in friendship and fellowship.

Joseph M. Stillwell, father of Symmes H. Stillwell and grandfather of Joseph Morford, Oscar S and Howard M. Stillwell, was the only candidate Raised in Trenton Lodge No. 5 in the year 1832. This was during the time of the agitation against the Masonic fraternity over the Morgan affair, and accounted for only the one raising that year.

During World War I, the Secretary of the Lodge received numerous inquiries from many places in the United States asking if President Woodrow Wilson was, or ever had been, a member of Princeton Lodge or of the Craft elsewhere. The Grand Secretary also received similar inquiries. He was not a member of this or any other Lodge, nor had he ever petitioned.

From time to time, especially during World War I, the Secretary of No. 38 received inquiries asking if Dr. Henry van Dyke, distinguished author, educator, and Minister to the Netherlands, was a Mason. These inquiries may have been due to the Masonic tenor of some of his writings, particularly his meaningful verse on "Four Things," and the hymn, "The Nation." Be that as it may, he was not a member of the Craft.

A "Golden Raising," as it was then designated, was being planned to observe the 50th anniversary of the Raising of Henry Clow, Sr., but his death on November 10, 1867, ended all plans for the event. He was Raised in Washington Lodge No. 12, New Brunswick, on October 2, 1809, became a member of Princeton Lodge No. 30 by affiliation, and was one of the seven brethren who, in 1855, signed the petition for a Lodge in Princeton (No. 38). This contemplated event may well have been the forerunner of the present-day observance, and the presentation by Grand Lodge, of Gold Tokens in recognition of brethren who have been members of the Craft for fifty years.

The O'Kane building, 126 Nassau Street (formerly Mercer Hall, where No. 38 held its meetings from 1855 to September 28, 1914) was completely destroyed by fire on February 12, 1943.

Fourteen members of No. 38 have been honored by Grand Lodge with Gold Tokens in recognition of fifty or more years of membership in the Craft. These honored Brethren are: Matthew Bergen, James L. Briner, B. Franklin Bunn, Augustus Dohm, Wilhelm C. Durner, Ira D. Fulmer, George C. Groendyke, William B. MacNamee, Frederick A. Rowland, John R. B. Slayback, J. Morford Stillwell, Symmes H. Stillwell, Alonzo F. Wright, and Elias D. Wright. Of these, seven are living at the present time. A separate page is dedicated to these brethren, giving their Gold Token records.

Herbert Adams Gibbons, author, writer and lecturer, was a member of No. 38. In the March, 1928, number of *The Master Mason*, there was a most interesting article by him concerning "John Wanamaker, Mason."

The Dispensation granted to No. 38 by Edward Stewart, Grand Master, in 1855, stipulated that the Lodge could make Masons without adhering to the rule of one month.

In 1878, William W. Stelle, Past Master, was appointed to act as Grand Secretary pro tempore during a ten-day absence from the State of Joseph H. Hough, Grand Secretary. He forwarded \$1,849.17 for relief of brethren and their families during an epidemic of yellow fever in the Southern States.

In 1923 the Lodge contributed \$250.00 to the Masonic Home for furnishing rooms in the new addition to the Home.

In 1926 the Lodge contributed \$318.00 to the Masonic Charity Foundation, and \$25.00 to the Christmas Fund for guests at the Home.

In 1932 the Lodge contributed \$100.00 to the George Washington National Masonic Memorial Fund, at Alexandria, Virginia.

In 1934 Bro. J. Lawrence Pitt was appointed Supervisor for the 15th District of the Grand Master's (Francis P. Morton) program for instruction and education of all New Jersey Masons, particularly new members, in the principles and purposes of Freemasonry, but the program was not adopted by Grand Lodge.

The Lodge made these contributions to Masonic Service Centers: 1941, \$25.50; 1942, \$118.10; 1943, \$222.70.

To the Welfare Fund of the Masonic Home, the Lodge contributed \$25.00 in 1948 and \$51.00 in 1949. In 1952 the Lodge contributed \$204.00 to the Thanksgiving Day Donations for the Masonic Home.

It is the custom of the Lodge, at the end of each Worshipful Master's term of office, to present him with a bound volume of the *Bulletins* issued during his year, inscribed with his name and year of service. This makes a pleasing and interesting memento of his year in the East.

The Princeton Shrine Club was organized on November 22, 1928, with 63 members. The first officers were: Myron E. La Vake, Sr., President; George F. Karch, Vice-President; Stanley S. Bergen, Secretary and Treasurer. As of December 31, 1955, the members number 138 and for 1956 the officers are: Edward L. Lloyd, President; Ernest G. Hunt, Vice-President; Joseph S. Cruser, Secretary and Treasurer. Meetings are held in Mercer Engine Company Fire House, on Chambers Street.

Princeton Chapter, No. 91, O. E. S., which meets in our Lodge room, was instituted on December 1, 1917, with 34 members. The line officers selected at that time were: Mrs. Minnie Johnson, Worthy Matron; Almon Parker, Worthy Patron; Mrs. Mary E. Matthews, Associate Matron; Mrs. Lesta H. Struve, Secretary; Mrs. Josephine Pierson, Treasurer; Mrs. Elizabeth Leigh, Conductress; Mrs. Mary Vanneman, Associate Conductress. As of December 31, 1955, they are: Mrs. Elizabeth Slayback, Worthy Matron; Gerrit V. Cortelyou, Worthy Patron; Mrs.

Beverly Hinkson, Associate Matron; Mrs. Lesta H. Struve, Secretary; Mrs. Ada Lloyd, Treasurer; Mrs. Jessie Stalnaker, Conductress; Mrs. Elsie Mugford, Associate Conductress. The Chapter has 260 members as of this date.

The Centennial Anniversary of Princeton Lodge No. 38 will be observed on January 23, 1956, at 7:30 P. M. By Dispensation the Stated Meeting of the Lodge on that date will be held in the Auditorium of the Elementary School on Nassau Street, which has been engaged for the occasion because the Lodge room will not accommodate the large assembly that will be present. M. W. Joseph H. Gick, Grand Master, and members of his staff, and members of Princeton Lodge will be entertained at the Anniversary Dinner preceding the meeting, to be served at the Princeton Inn at six o'clock.

The committee of five members originally appointed to plan for the Anniversary consisted of William H. Rhodes (chairman), Robert H. Schafer, Walter B. Foster, George J. Knowles, Charles G. Osgood. The following members have since been added to the committee: Robert Drummond, George R. Griffing, Henry D. Hohl, Jr., Ralph S. Holmes, Harry E. Hutchinson, Benjamin Kahn, Wilbur F. Kerr, Harry H. Kerr, George C. Knaefler, William H. Lahey, James Pace, George B. Rollings, Jr., Carl C. Schafer, Sr., Percival B. Silvester, Jr., Milo L. Wadlin, Raymond C. Whitlock, Richard C. Winship, Raymond F. Woolf, and John C. Yeoman.

The records of the Craft tell of a case of feminine curiosity which resulted in one woman becoming a member of the Masonic fraternity, in explanation of which we quote from the *Encyclopaedia of Freemasonry*, by Albert G. Mackey.

"The Hon. Mrs. Aldworth, well known as 'the Lady Freemason,' was the Hon. Elizabeth St. Leger, daughter of Lord Doneraile of Doneraile Court, County Cork, Ireland. She was born in 1693, and married in 1713 to Richard Aldworth, Esq., of Newmarket Court, County Cork. There appears to be no doubt that while a girl she received the First and Second degrees of Freemasonry in Ireland, but of the actual circumstances of her initiation several different accounts have been given. Of these the most authentic appears to be one issued at Cork, with the authority of the family, in 1811, and afterward republished in London.

"From this it appears that her father, Viscount Doneraile, together with his sons and a few friends, was accustomed to open a Lodge and carry on the ordinary ceremonies at Doneraile Court, and it was during one of these meetings that the occurrence took place which is thus related: It happened on this particular occasion that the Lodge was held in a room separated from another, as is often the case, by stud and brickwork. The young lady, being giddy and thoughtless, and determined to satisfy her curiosity, made her arrangements accordingly, and, with a pair of scissors, (as she herself related to the mother of our informant), removed a portion of a brick from the wall, and placed herself

so as to command a full view of everything which occurred in the next room; so placed, she witnessed the two first degrees in Masonry, which was the extent of the proceedings of the Lodge on that night. Becoming aware, from what she heard, that the brethren were about to separate, for the first time she felt tremblingly alive to the awkwardness and danger of her situation, and began to consider how she could retire without observation. She became nervous and agitated, and nearly fainted, but so far recovered herself as to be fully aware of the necessity of withdrawing as quickly as possible; in the act of doing so, being in the dark, she stumbled against and overthrew something, said to be a chair or some ornamental piece of furniture. The crash was loud; and the Tiler, who was on the lobby or landing on which the doors both of the Lodge room and that where the Honorable Miss St. Leger was, opened, gave the alarm, burst open the door and, with a light in one hand and a drawn sword in the other, appeared to the now terrified and fainting lady. He was soon joined by the members of the Lodge present, and luckily; for it is asserted that but for the prompt appearance of Lord Doneraile and other steady members, her life would have fallen a sacrifice to what was then esteemed her crime. The first care of his Lordship was to resuscitate the unfortunate lady without alarming the house, and endeavor to learn from her an explanation of what had occurred; having done so, many of the members being furious at the transaction, she was placed under guard of the Tiler and a member, in the room where she was found. The members reassembled and deliberated as to what, under the circumstances, was to be done, and over two long hours she could hear the angry discussion and her death deliberately proposed and seconded. At length the good sense of the majority succeeded in calming, in some measure, the angry and irritated feelings of the rest of the members, when, after much had been said and many things proposed, it was resolved to give her the option of submitting to the Masonic ordeal to the extent she had witnessed, and if she refused, the brethren were again to consult. Being waited on to decide, Miss St. Leger, exhausted and terrified by the storminess of the debate, which she could not avoid partially hearing, and yet, notwithstanding all, with a secret pleasure, gladly and unhesitatingly accepted the offer. She was accordingly initiated.

"After her marriage, Mrs. Aldworth seems to have kept up her connection with the Craft, for her portrait in Masonic clothing, her apron and jewels, are still in existence, and her name occurs among the subscribers to Dassigny's *Enquiry* of 1744; and it has even been stated that she presided as Master of her Lodge."

In 1931 Brother and Mrs. Charles G. Osgood traveled through Ireland. Their itinerary took them to the town where Mrs. Aldworth, known as the "Lady Freemason," was initiated, and while there Brother Osgood met one of Mrs. Aldworth's descendants, who related the details of the story to him. Princeton Lodge was privileged to have Brother Osgood tell us of his unique experience.



HARRY E. HUTCHINSON
GRAND MASTER
1937

MEMBERS OF No. 38 WHO HAVE SERVED GRAND LODGE

John Van Tilburgh, Junior Grand Deacon, November 8, 1842, to November 14, 1843. Also member of Committee on Foreign Correspondence, 1842 and 1843.

John H. Janeway, Junior Grand Warden in 1855 and Senior Grand Warden in 1856. In January, 1860, he was appointed chairman of a committee to prepare and present to Grand Lodge a uniform code of rules and regulations for the presentation of charges against members. He affiliated with Princeton Lodge No. 38 from Lafayette Lodge No. 27 on December 23, 1856.

Crowell Marsh, Deputy Grand Secretary in 1857. In 1881 he was a member of the Committee on Dispensations and Warrants.

George Musgrave Giger was Junior Grand Warden, January 21, 1864, to October 11, 1865. He was also a member of the Committee on History of the Grand Lodge from 1863 to his death on October 11, 1865.

Robert S. Green, Grand Pursuivant, 1859 to 1863, inclusive.

Charles O. Hudnut, member of Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, 1875.

William W. Stelle, Chairman of the Committee on Credentials and Returns, 1877, 1878, 1879, 1880. In 1878 he was appointed to act as Grand Secretary pro tempore during a ten-day absence from the State of Joseph H. Hough, Grand Secretary. He forwarded \$1,849.17 for relief of brethren and their families during an epidemic of yellow fever in the Southern States.

Edwin C. Osborn, member of Charity Fund Committee from 1899 to his death on June 15, 1901.

John W. Fielder, Jr., member of Committee on Grand Lodge Charity Fund from 1902 to his death on September 15, 1903.

William L. Briner, Sr., member of Charity Fund Committee, 1903. He was appointed to fill the balance of the term of John W. Fielder, Jr. Member of Committee on Grand Master's Jewel, 1904.

William G. Schauffler, Grand Marshal, 1912. Also Grand Representative of Rhode Island to the Grand Lodge of New Jersey from 1908 to his death on April 30, 1933.

William L. Briner, Jr., member of Committee on Jurisdiction of Lodges, 1929.

Gideon B. Godown, Senior Grand Steward, 1937; member of Committee on Audit, 1938.

Walter B. Foster, Secretary to the Grand Master, 1937.

Irving W. Mershon, member of Committee on Audit, 1937.

William L. Tucker, Grand Chaplain, 1943.

Harry E. Hutchinson, District Deputy, 15th District, 1926 to 1933; Junior Grand Warden, 1934; Senior Grand Warden, 1935; Deputy Grand Master, 1936; Grand Master, 1937; member of Ritual Committee, April 1938 to August 14, 1952; Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Missouri to the Grand Lodge of New Jersey, 1934 to —; member of Committee on Grand Lodge Charity Fund, 1934 to 1936; member of Advisory Committee, 1934 to 1937; Chairman of Advisory Committee, 1938; member of Committee on Budget, 1936, 1938, 1953, 1954; member of Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, 1955.

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS FROM GRAND LODGE
RECORDS

Year	Raised	Affiliated	Restored	Died	Dimitted	Suspended		Expelled	Membership End of Year
						N. P. D.	U. M. C		
1855	8	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	15
1856	7	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	20
1857	..	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	19
1858	5	1	..	1	2	..	..	..	22
1859	4	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	22
1860	4	1	1	..	1	2	..	1	24
1861	7	1	2	..	2	..	1	..	31
1862	..	..	..	2	1	4	..	..	24
1863	4	..	..	..	1	5	..	..	22
1864	9	2	2	..	4	..	..	..	31
1865	11	..	1	1	2	2	..	..	38
1866	14	..	4	..	1	..	..	..	55
1867	5	1	..	1	3	1	..	..	56
1868	3	2	..	..	4	..	..	..	57
1869	2	..	3	..	3	4	..	..	55
1870	2	1	..	2	1	1	..	..	54
1871	7	..	..	1	3	6	..	..	51
1872	4	..	3	1	1	1	..	..	55
1873	5	4	2	..	2	..	..	..	64
1874	7	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	73
1875	4	..	..	1	..	8	..	..	68
1876	5	1	1	1	3	..	..	..	71
1877	2	1	..	1	1	..	..	1	71
1878	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	..	70
1879	..	..	..	2	3	10	..	..	55
1880	4	..	..	1	2	11	..	..	45
1881	2	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	45
1882	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	46
1883	6	..	1	2	2	..	..	..	49
1884	6	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	53
1885	1	2	..	..	2	..	..	..	54
1886	3	1	..	..	2	1	..	..	55
1887	3	2	..	..	2	2	..	..	56
1888	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	55
1889	1	1	..	..	..	5	1	..	51
1890	2	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	54
1891	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	56
1892	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	..	53
1893	1	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	52
1894	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	51
1895	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	53
1896	8	2	..	1	..	2	..	..	60
1897	..	1	..	2	..	1	..	..	58
1898	4	..	..	1	3	3	..	..	55
1899	5	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	58
1900	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	59
1901	3	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	59
1902	3	1	..	..	1	6	..	..	56

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS FROM GRAND LODGE RECORDS—Continued

Year	Raised	Affiliated	Restored	Died	Dimitted	Suspended		Expelled	Membership End of Year
						N. P. D.	U. M. C.		
1903	10	3	2	1	..	1	..	..	69
1904	15	3	..	2	..	..	..	..	85
1905	10	1	1	1	3	..	..	..	93
1906	5	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	95
1907	14	1	..	2	2	..	..	..	106
1908	11	2	..	2	2	..	..	..	115
1909	5	..	1	1	3	1	..	..	116
1910	8	1	2	..	2	..	..	..	125
1911	7	..	1	1	4	..	..	..	128
1912	18	1	..	..	5	1	..	..	141
1913	8	1	..	1	..	1	..	..	148
1914	13	1	..	1	2	..	..	..	159
1915	11	4	..	5	4	..	..	..	165
1916	12	1	..	1	5	..	..	..	172
1917	12	2	1	5	..	..	..	..	182
1918	13	1	..	4	2	..	..	..	190
1919	14	2	1	4	1	..	..	..	202
1920	29	3	..	1	4	5	..	..	224
1921	27	2	1	3	1	..	..	..	250
1922	17	3	..	3	2	..	..	..	265
1923	21	3	..	2	3	..	..	..	284
1924	23	..	..	6	1	..	..	..	300
1925	23	5	..	..	4	4	3	..	317
1926	10	..	..	4	2	3	..	..	318
1927	9	4	..	3	3	4	..	..	321
1928	13	2	..	2	6	..	..	..	328
1929	11	1	..	3	2	9	..	..	326
1930	11	4	..	4	..	7	..	..	330
1931	7	1	..	1	4	..	..	..	333
1932	7	2	..	5	5	5	..	..	327
1933	1	1	..	4	2	3	..	..	320
1934	4	..	..	4	2	9	..	..	309
1935	3	1	1	6	2	5	..	..	301
1936	3	2	1	2	..	..	..	..	305
1937	4	1	1	6	1	4	..	..	300
1938	..	2	1	6	2	25	..	..	270
1939	5	..	..	7	4	2	..	..	262
1940	2	..	..	7	1	3	..	..	253
1941	3	2	1	2	2	5	..	..	250
1942	1	1	2	4	2	..	..	..	248
1943	13	2	2	1	2	..	..	..	262
1944	6	..	1	..	4	1	..	..	264
1945	10	1	..	2	1	..	..	..	272
1946	23	3	1	8	1	..	..	..	290
1947	6	..	..	5	..	..	..	..	291
1948	15	2	..	8	1	4	..	..	295
1949	6	3	..	8	1	..	..	..	295
1950	13	2	..	5	2	..	..	..	303

MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS FROM GRAND LODGE
RECORDS—Continued

Year	Raised	Affiliated	Restored	Died	Dimitted	Suspended		Expelled	Membership End of Year
						N. P. D.	U. M. C.		
1951	15	1	..	6	1	..	..	..	312
1952	12	5	..	2	3	..	..	..	324
1953*	12	1	1	10	..	..	..	..	328
1954	16	2	1	3	..	..	..	..	344
1955	8	1	..	8	..	1	..	..	344
Totals	754	125	46	220	176	178	5	2	

*Adjustment of membership differences—one addition.

An analysis of the above report shows that, during a century of existence, five members were suspended for un-Masonic conduct and only two were expelled; one of the expulsions was, strange as it seems, for failure to obey the summons of the Worshipful Master to attend an Emergent Communication of the Lodge. The greatest number of Raisings was 29 in 1920, followed by 27 in 1921, while there were eight years in which there were none. The largest membership was 344 as of December 31, 1955. Down through the century 220 members have passed to that bourne whence none return.

GOLD TOKEN MEMBERS

FIFTY OR MORE YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP

Matthew Bergen

Raised January 26, 1880

Died April 5, 1932

James Lewis Briner

Raised April 16, 1866

Died April 25, 1932

Benjamin Franklin Bunn

Raised October 10, 1905

Augustus Dohm

Raised September 14, 1903

Wilhelm Conrad Durner

Raised June 24, 1895

Ira Dubbs Fulmer

Raised July 11, 1898

Died October 5, 1953

George Cope Groendyke

Raised January 10, 1876

Died January 15, 1940

William B. MacNamee

Raised March 30, 1903

Frederick Andrews Rowland

Raised February 8, 1904

John Roscoe Blackwell Slayback

Raised May 9, 1904

Joseph Morford Stillwell

Raised February 10, 1896

Symmes Henry Stillwell

Raised June 2, 1884

Died December 23, 1934

Alonzo Francis Wright

Raised November 26, 1877

Died January 25, 1934

Elias Davison Wright

Raised February 12, 1877

Died December 14, 1934

PAST MASTERS OF PRINCETON LODGE No. 38

- *Robert S. Green, 1855, 1856
- *George M. Giger, 1857, 1858
- *John H. Margerum, 1859
- *Cornelius Van Duyn, 1860
- *David R. Love, 1861
- *Charles O. Hudnut, 1862-1867,
1870, 1873-1876
- *Leroy H. Anderson, 1868
- *William W. Stelle, 1869
- *William C. Vandewater, 1871,
1872, 1878, 1879
- *Richard Runyan, 1877
- *Henry B. Bayles, 1880, 1881
- †Crowell Marsh, 1882-1884, 1886,
1887
- *Edwin C. Osborn, 1885
- *Frank C. Borden, 1888
- *John W. Fielder, Jr., 1889, 1890
- *George L. Rogers, 1891
- *William G. Chase, 1892
- *William G. McTear, 1893, 1894
- *James E. Burke, 1895-1897
- *Oliver H. Hubbard, 1898
- *Samuel H. Blackwell, 1899
- *John A. Stead, 1900, 1901
- *Ira D. Fulmer, 1902
- *William L. Briner, 1903, 1904
J. Morford Stillwell, 1905
- *Theodore D. Van Sickel, 1906
- *Richard R. Rowland, 1907
- *Harry H. Kerr, 1908
- *Howard D. Eldridge, 1909, 1910
C. Whitney Darrow, 1911
- *William C. Sinclair, 1912, 1915
William J. Warren, 1913
- *J. Frederick Brown, 1914
Irving W. Mershon, 1916
- *Marcus S. Farr, 1917
- *Peter P. Polhemus, 1918
- *William L. Briner, Jr., 1919
Walter B. Foster, 1920
Charles S. Sincerbeaux, 1921
Harry E. Hutchinson, 1922
- *Kenneth L. Hickman, 1923
Morris Maple, 1924
Wilbur F. Kerr, 1925
Gideon B. Godown, 1926
- *Clarence L. Tilton, 1927
Charles E. Stout, 1928
Raymond F. Woolf, 1929
Harry H. Kerr, Jr., 1930
William H. Lahey, 1931
George C. Knaefler, 1932
George B. Rollings, Jr., 1933
Gerrit V. D. Cortelyou, 1934
William R. Cooper, 1935
James Pace, 1936
Carl C. Schafer, 1937
Robert C. Miller, 1938
Ernest G. Hunt, 1939
Charles G. Osgood, 1940
Arthur V. Holbrow, 1941
George R. Griffing, 1942
Raymond C. Whitlock, 1943
Edwin L. Kimble, 1944
Horace N. Dickey, 1945
Matthew B. Maxwell, 1946
Percy Ward, 1947
Raymond E. Whitlock, 1948
Robert L. Harvey, 1949
Randolph R. Applegate, 1950
Maurice A. Mather, 1951
Ralph S. Holmes, 1952
George Olsen, 1953
George J. Knowles, 1954
Robert H. Schafer, 1955
William H. Rhodes, 1956

AFFILIATED PAST MASTERS

*Sylvester W. Beach, 1922
Brearley Lodge. No. 2, Bridge-
ton

Curt O. H. Kayser, 1922
Lakewood Lodge No. 174, Lake-
wood

*William G. Schauffler, 1922
Lakewood Lodge No. 174, Lake-
wood

Lionel J. Lee, 1925
Edward VII Lodge No. 3359,
Sunderland, England

* Deceased.

† Crowell Marsh was Raised in St. John's Lodge No. 6, of Norwalk, Connecticut, and, in 1853, affiliated with Lafayette Lodge No. 27, Rahway, in which he served as worshipful Master in 1855, 1856 and 1857. Upon his removal to Princeton he dimitted from Lafayette Lodge and affiliated with No. 38 on December 27, 1858.

OFFICERS OF PRINCETON LODGE No. 38 SINCE ITS BEGINNING U. D. IN 1855

TREASURERS

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|----------------------------|---------------------------------|
| *John Conover, 1855-1865 | *Valentine Arnheiter, 1873-1908 |
| *Elias C. Baker, 1866 | *Charles A. Waite, 1909-1913 |
| *Marcus H. Krauskopf, 1867 | *Howard D. Eldridge, 1914 |
| *Charles O. Hudnut, 1868 | Wilbur F. Kerr, 1915-1922 |
| *Joseph Priest, 1869-1872 | Edward B. Snook, 1923- |

TYLERS

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| *Henry Clow, 1855, 1856 | *Edward M. Allen, 1869-1876 |
| *Robert L. Clow, 1857 | *John J. Stryker, 1877-1894, |
| *William F. Packer, 1858 | 1896-1910, 1917-1922 |
| *William F. Hutchinson, 1859 | *Charles H. Low, 1895 |
| *William A. Gulick, 1860 | *William W. Mershon, 1911, 1912 |
| *Aaron L. Green, 1861-1863 | *John Brook, 1913-1916 |
| *Elijah Allen, 1864 | *John H. Belue, 1923-1937 |
| *Joseph A. Fenning, 1865 | Richard Langdown, 1938-July 1, |
| *Joseph McLaughlin, 1866 | 1953 |
| *Charles A. Parker, 1867 | John S. Bruce, July 1, 1953- |
| No appointment for 1868 (various members served pro tempore) | |

SECRETARIES

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|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| *George Thompson, 1855, 1856 | *William A. Duryee, 1882, 1883 |
| *William F. Hutchinson, 1857 | *John W. Fielder, Jr., 1884, 1885 |
| *William A. Gulick, 1858 | *Charles H. Olden, 1886, 1887 |
| *Crowell Marsh, 1859, 1860, | *James E. Burke, 1888-1891 |
| 1864-1866, 1880, 1881 | *Charles McDermott, Jr., 1892, |
| *John H. Margerum, 1861 | 1893, 1895 |
| *James T. L. Anderson, 1862, | *Benjamin Gray, 1894 |
| 1863 | *William G. McTear, 1896 |
| *John Van Duyn, 1867, 1868 | *Harry H. Kerr, Sr., 1897-1906 |
| *Charles O. Hudnut, 1869, 1878, | William B. McNamee, 1907, 1908 |
| 1879 | *William E. Burke, 1909-1912 |
| *Richard Runyan, 1870-1872 | Wilbur F. Kerr, 1913 |
| *Robert Priest, 1873-1875 | John R. B. Slayback, 1914-1940 |
| *Thomas Wright, 1876, 1877 | Walter B. Foster, 1941- |

* Deceased.

From 1855 to date, 74 Worshipful Masters have occupied the Oriental Chair in our East, 39 of whom are living. Wilbur F. and Harry H. Kerr, Jr., sons of Harry H. Kerr, Sr., followed in the footsteps of their father through the East. Joseph Morford Stillwell, who was Master in 1905, is the oldest living Past Master in point of service. Robert S. Green, the first Worshipful Master of No. 38, was made a Mason "at sight" by Edward Stewart, Grand Master, in Washington Lodge No. 33, Elizabeth, on April 18, 1855; he affiliated with Princeton Lodge No. 38 and was its first Worshipful Master, being so elected on August 21, 1855, and reelected in 1856. He reaffiliated with Washington Lodge No. 33 on January 2, 1857. He was Grand Pursuivant of Grand Lodge 1859 to 1863, and Governor of New Jersey 1887-1890.

Of the affiliated Past Masters, Brothers Beach and Schauffler have passed on to that country whence none return. Brother Schauffler affiliated with No. 38 from Lakewood Lodge No. 174 in 1922, as did also Brother Kayser. Brother Schauffler served on the Grand Lodge Committee on Credentials of Representatives and returns of Lodges. He served as Chaplain of No. 38 during 1926; he was Grand Marshal of the Grand Lodge in 1912, and Grand Representative to the Grand Lodge of New Jersey from the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island from 1908 to his death on April 30, 1933.

Of the other officers, Valentine Arnheiter was Treasurer for a period of 35 years. He died on February 7, 1915, in the 87th year of his age, and was buried in the cemetery of St. Paul's Roman Catholic Church, in Princeton. Edward B. Snook, the present incumbent, is a close second to him with 33 years at this Anniversary. William F. Hutchinson, Secretary in 1857 and Tyler in 1859, enlisted in the Northern Army in the Civil War, and died in a hospital, of fever. John R. B. Slayback was Secretary for 26 years from 1914 to 1940. The longest period of service was that of John J. Stryker who, for 39 years, guarded the outer door as Tyler.

THE CLERGY

- *CHARLES MELLINGER AKERMAN. PTS 1913-1916. M.A. Princeton 1916. Raised April 13, 1914. Pastor of churches in Ramapo, Port Jervis and Haverstraw, New York.
- *GEORGE WASHINGTON BATCHELDER. Pastor of Princeton Methodist Church, April 1857, to March, 1859. A.M. Princeton 1860. Raised March 22, 1858. Chaplain in 1859. Dimitted April 1, 1859. Died March 30, 1863.
- †SYLVESTER WOODBRIDGE BEACH. CNJ 1876, PTS 1880. Raised in Brearley Lodge No. 2, Bridgeton, New Jersey, on June 7, 1893, and Worshipful Master in 1902. Affiliated with No. 38 on June 12, 1922. Pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Princeton, New Jersey, 1906 to 1922. Died November 16, 1940.
- *ROBERT BIRDSEY BERGER. PTS 1929-1932. Pastor of Presbyterian Church at Kingston, New Jersey, 1932-1936. Pastor of Presbyterian Church in Greenville, Illinois, 1951 to —. Raised November 26, 1934. Dimitted February 9, 1942.
- †EDWIN HENRY BRONSON. CNJ 1896, PTS 1899. Raised in Americus Lodge No. 83, Woodbridge, New Jersey, on March 18, 1913. Affiliated with No. 38 on November 13, 1916. Married Elizabeth Bayles, daughter of Henry B. Bayles, Past Master. Pastor of Presbyterian Churches in Carteret, Califon, Columbus, Belvidere, Andover and Swedesboro, in New Jersey. Died March 3, 1949.
- †JAMES ROBINSON CAMPBELL. PTS 1867. Born February 28, 1840, at Sabbathu, Himalaya Mountains, Hindoostan, India. Raised in Lafayette Lodge, North Adams, Massachusetts, on July 15, 1861. Dimitted to No. 38 on January 11, 1864, and served as Chaplain in 1865. Dimitted from No. 38 on December 25, 1865. Died May 2, 1898.
- †ANDREW GOWDY CHAMBERS. PTS 1864. Raised in Warren Lodge No. 24, Piqua, Ohio, on March 5, 1858. Affiliated with No. 38 on January 28, 1861, and served as Junior Warden in 1864 until he dimitted on May 23, 1864, to Olive Branch Lodge No. 16, Freehold New Jersey, where he served as Chaplain. Died October 15, 1891.
- ALEXANDER CORSON. PRU 1902. Pastor of Princeton Methodist Church, March, 1929, to March, 1932. Member of Shekinah Lodge No. 58, Millville, New Jersey. Raised on April 24, 1914. Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge, 1923 to 1926. Died January 9, 1933.
- LYNN HOUGH CORSON. Pastor of Princeton Methodist Church, October, 1942, to March, 1950. Raised in Hopewell Lodge No. 155, Hopewell, New Jersey, on January 17, 1933.

- *PENNINGTON CORSON. Pastor of Princeton Methodist Church, March, 1899, to March, 1904. Raised October 5, 1903. Chaplain in 1904. Dimitted January 23, 1905. Died May 7, 1921.
- *CALVIN WHITEFIELD COURTRIGHT. PTS 1867. Ordained by the Presbytery of Zanesville, Ohio. Pastor of churches in Ohio, Illinois and Oregon, Raised November 19, 1866. Suspended December 28, 1868. Died Dec. 17, 1929.
- *EARL HANNUM DEVANNY. PTS 1918-1920. Raised March 14, 1922, by Riverhead Lodge No. 645, Riverhead, New York, for Princeton Lodge No. 38. Dimitted December 27, 1926, and now a member of Mystic Art Lodge No. 899, Buffalo, New York. Pastor of the Presbyterian Church, Woodridge, New Jersey.
- *JOHN CALVIN ELY, JR. PTS 1913. Raised April 14, 1913. Y.M.C.A. Secretary in World War I, December 1, 1917, to August 15, 1918. Chaplain, U. S. Navy, August 15, 1918, to February 13, 1919. Died February 13, 1919, on board ship returning from Europe.
- *ELIJAH STITES FAIRCHILD. CNJ 1856. Theological Student. A.M. Princeton 1859. Raised October 30, 1855. Dimitted August 13, 1866. Died February 6, 1918.
- *JOHN MARSHALL WILLOUGHBY FARNHAM. PTS 1859. Raised April 4, 1859. Dimitted May 1, 1859. Served as a missionary in Shanghai, China, and died there on February 16, 1917.
- *JAMES FRAZER. PTS 1875. Raised March 22, 1875. Dimitted October 23, 1911. Missionary at Foam Lake, Saskatchewan, Canada, where he affiliated with the Lodge in that place. Died March 12, 1920.
- *ALEXANDER J. FULLERTON, JR. Episcopal Minister. Philadelphia Divinity School, 1864 to 1866. A.M. Princeton 1867. Raised March 9, 1863. Dimitted June 27, 1864. Died July 21, 1913.
- *HERBERT ADAMS GIBBONS. PTS 1908. Professor of Political Economy and History at Robert College, Istanbul, Turkey. Professor in Army War College, Washington, D. C. Raised December 19, 1921. Dimitted December 11, 1933. Died August 7, 1934.
- *JAMES RICHARD GIBSON. PTS 1884. Raised July 28, 1884. Dimitted January 11, 1886. In ill health, he died at an early age on February 9, 1909.
- *GEORGE MUSGRAVE GIGER. CNJ 1841, PTS 1844. Professor of Greek and Latin in the College of New Jersey, now Princeton University. Ordained as an evangelist. Raised September 6, 1855. Chaplain 1862 to 1864. Died October 11, 1865.

ERNEST GORDON. Presbyterian University pastor and Director of the Westminster Foundation for the college year of 1954-1955. In June, 1955, appointed Dean of the University Chapel. He was born in Greenock, Scotland, and was Deputy Minister of the Abbey at Paisley, the town from which John Witherspoon came to America to assume the presidency of the College of New Jersey.

At the beginning of World War II he was a Captain in a Highland Regiment of the British Army. He was captured and was a Japanese prisoner of war for more than three and one-half years at the Burma "Railway of Death" camp in Thailand, where 40,000 prisoners were building a railroad through the jungle, of whom 30,000 died. Although a layman at the time, he assumed the duties of Chaplain to his fellow prisoners, and, upon being released at the end of the war, studied for the ministry. He studied at St. Andrews, Edinburg and Glasgow Universities, and received his Master's in Theology at the Hartford Seminary Foundation, Connecticut.

Received the E. A. Degree in Ailsa Lodge No. 1172, Singapore, Straits Settlements, Malaya, in September, 1941, and F. C. and M. M. Degrees in Star of the East Lodge No. 843, East Hampton, Long Island, New York, in August and September, 1954. The two degrees were conferred at the time he was serving two Presbyterian churches on Long Island.

*RALPH WESLEY HAND. PTS 1912-1915. Raised March 23, 1914. Dimitted January 28, 1918. Retired and residing in Fort Pierce Florida.

*THOMAS HANLON. Pastor of Princeton Methodist Church, 1861 and 1862. In the files of both the Church and State Conference the name is recorded as Thomas O'Hanlon, and it is so inscribed upon his gravestone in Princeton Cemetery. However, the records of both Princeton Lodge and Grand Lodge give his name as Thomas Hanlon. Raised July 31, 1862. Dimitted August 10, 1863, to Amwell Lodge No. 12, at Lambertville, New Jersey. Died September 30, 1912.

*LEWIS MAX HICKERNELL. Raised January 26, 1914. Dimitted September 11, 1922. Joined the Lodge while a student at Princeton Theological Seminary, which he left before finishing the course. We have no information other than this meager record.

†ELMER GEORGE HOMRIGHAUSEN. PTS 1923-1924. Professor of Pastoral Theology in Princeton Theological Seminary. Raised December 17, 1928, in Evergreen Lodge No. 170, Freeport, Illinois, and dimitted therefrom to Calvin W. Prather Lodge No. 717, Indianapolis, Indiana. Affiliated with Princeton Lodge No. 38 on December 24, 1940.

*JOSHUA BLACKWELL HOWELL JANEWAY. CNJ 1857, PTS 1861. Raised April 9, 1860. Dimitted October 10, 1864. Chaplain, U. S. Army, 1864 to 1866. Died January 18, 1920.

- †WILLIAM JOHNSTON. PTS 1886-1887. Pastor of various churches in New Jersey. Raised in Passaic Lodge No. 67, Passaic, New Jersey, on March 27, 1894. Affiliated with Princeton Lodge No. 38 on March 10, 1919. Died June 7, 1938.
- *PAUL EDWIN KEEN. PTS 1912-1916. Professor of English Bible, Albright College, Reading, Pennsylvania. Professor of New Testament, Evangelical Seminary, Naperville, Illinois, 1927 to ——. Ordained by United Evangelical Church. Raised March 23, 1914.
- *SAMUEL RICHARD LATHAM. Pastor of Methodist Church, Kingston, New Jersey, 1919 to 1922. Raised November 22, 1920. Retired and residing in Denton, Maryland.
- *ANANIAS LAWRENCE. CNJ 1871, PTS 1872. Pastor of Princeton Methodist Church, March, 1870, to March, 1872. A.M. Princeton 1874. Raised November 27, 1871. Chaplain, 1872. Dimitted March 24, 1879. Died October 15, 1927.
- CHARLES S. LAWRENCE. Pastor of Princeton Methodist Church, March, 1890, to March, 1893. Member of Neptune Lodge No. 75, Maurice-town, New Jersey. Raised December 4, 1883. Died April 6, 1938.
- *DAVID RANKIN LOVE. CNJ 1858, PTS 1861. A.M. Princeton 1861. Raised June 28, 1858. Dimitted November 25, 1861. Died December 30, 1910.
- ABNER HENRY LUCAS. Pastor of Princeton Methodist Church, March, 1921, to March, 1926. Member of Occidental Lodge No. 20, Greeley, Colorado. Died March 9, 1926.
- *WILLIAM LUSK, JR. PTS 1861. Rector, St. John's Episcopal Church, North Haven, Connecticut, 1882 to 1907. Raised February 6, 1860. Dimitted November 24, 1873. Died January 17, 1907.
- *JOHN MACLEAN, JR. CNJ 1858, PTS 1870. A.M. Princeton 1861. Raised August 23, 1858. Dimitted to Franklin Lodge No. 221, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, on November 1, 1859. Died July 27, 1870. He was the son of George M. Maclean, brother of President John Maclean.
- †SAMUEL JOHN McCLENAGHAN. CNJ 1886, PTS 1889. Ordained by the Presbytery of Morris and Orange. Pastor of churches in New Jersey, North Carolina and Tennessee. Superintendent of Home Missions, Synod of New Jersey, 1913 to 1922. Raised in Hope Lodge No. 124, East Orange, New Jersey, on December 15, 1897. Dimitted therefrom to Apollo Lodge No. 156, Cranbury, on November 3, 1908. Affiliated with Princeton Lodge No. 38 on October 25, 1915. Chaplain, 1916 to 1918. Died November 27, 1922.

- †JOHN RYAN MCKELWAY. CNJ 1857, PTS 1862. Raised in Manokin Lodge No. 106, Princess Anne, Maryland, on October 27, 1864. Affiliated with Princeton Lodge No. 38 on February 12, 1866. Dimitted to Mt. Ararat Lodge No. 44, Bèl Air, Maryland, on March 25, 1867, of which he was Worshipful Master in 1868. Died March 8, 1871.
- †JOSEPH WALTER MILLER. Raised in St. George's Lodge No. 6, Schenectady, New York, on June 13, 1901. Affiliated with Princeton Lodge No. 38 on March 10, 1913. Chaplain in 1938 and 1940. Died March 7, 1942.
- †WILLIAM W. MOFFETT. Pastor of Princeton Methodist Church, March, 1904, to March, 1915. Raised in Olive Branch Lodge No. 16, Freehold, New Jersey, on October 23, 1866. Affiliated with Princeton Lodge No. 38 on June 27, 1904. Chaplain, 1908. Died April 12, 1915.
- *HOWARD ARLINGTON NORTHACKER. PTS 1915. B.D. 1916. Pastor of Newton Presbyterian Church, Elmhurst, New York. Raised March 23, 1914. Dimitted March 14, 1927.
- †JOHN OWEN PIERCE. PTS 1874-1876. Raised in Fulton Lodge No. 48, Fulton, Missouri. Affiliated with Princeton Lodge No. 38, on December 27, 1875. Chaplain in 1876 and 1877. Dimitted January 14, 1878. Died June 5, 1902.
- †JOHN LAWRENCE PITT. Pastor of Princeton Methodist Church, September, 1935, to May, 1937. Raised in Ashlar Lodge No. 76, Trenton, New Jersey, on February 3, 1927. Affiliated with Princeton Lodge No. 38 on December 23, 1935. Chaplain in 1938.
- †RALPH BROUWER POMEROY. Rector of Trinity Episcopal Church, Princeton, New Jersey, 1914 to 1917. On October 12, 1914, elected to membership in Princeton Lodge No. 38 by affiliation. Name and number of the Lodge of which he was a member not recorded in the minutes, nor is there any record that his Dimit was filed. Died August 14, 1935.
- *WILLIAM HENRY REID. PTS 1865. Ordained Protestant Episcopal Deacon. Raised October 3, 1865. Dimitted October 27, 1879. Died December 26, 1888.
- †WILLIAM HENRY ROBERTS. PTS 1873. Stated Clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, 1884 to 1920. Affiliated with No. 38 on October 26, 1885, by Dimit from Lafayette Lodge No. 19, Washington, D. C. Dimitted from No. 38 on December 26, 1887. Chaplain in 1886. Died June 26, 1920.
- *HUGH SMYTHE. CNJ 1863. Magee College, Londonderry, Northern Ireland, 1864-1865. A.M. Princeton 1866. Raised February 14, 1859. Junior Warden of No. 38 in 1861. Senior Warden in 1862 and 1863. Membership ended August 14, 1865. Died in 1901.

- JOSEPHUS LEANDER SOOY, JR. Drew Seminary 1871-1873. D.D. Princeton 1895. Pastor of Princeton Methodist Church, March, 1875, to April, 1876. Received the E. A. Degree in No. 38 on November 8, 1875. Apparently did not advance further, as there is no record of his Passing, Raising or Dimitting. Died January 27, 1915.
- *JOHN STEPHENSON. Pastor of Princeton Methodist Church, April, 1855, to April, 1856. Raised April 29, 1856. Dimitted October 24, 1859. Born in England. Date of death unknown.
- †DAVID BEVERIDGE TOMKINS. Pastor of Second Presbyterian Church, Princeton, New Jersey, April 20, 1911, to October 9, 1938. Raised in Athelstane Lodge No. 839, Spring Valley, New York, on February 3, 1911. Dimitted to No. 38 on June 28, 1920. Died July 12, 1941.
- †WILLIAM LEGRAND TUCKER. PTS 1916. Pastor of Second Presbyterian Church, Princeton, New Jersey, beginning January, 1940. Raised in Bergen Lodge No. 47, Jersey City, New Jersey, on June 4, 1923. Affiliated with No. 38 on January 13, 1941. Chaplain, 1942, 1943 and 1947. Chaplain of Grand Lodge in 1943.
- *SIMON GREENLEAF VISSCHER. PTS 1859. Licensed by the Presbytery of Albany, New York. Raised April 4, 1859. Dimitted April 1, 1860. Died December 24, 1887.
- *DONALD JAMES WALTON. PTS 1919-1922. Raised February 28, 1921. Membership ended October 27, 1930. City Missionary, New York, New York. Pastor, DeWitt Memorial Church, New York City, 1927 to —.
- *JOHN EMORY WHEELER. PTS 1859. Ordained as an Evangelist by the Presbytery of Eastern Mississippi. Raised February 27, 1860. Suspended October 12, 1863. Died November 22, 1905.
- †ROBERT WILLIAMS. Rector of Trinity Episcopal Church, Princeton, New Jersey, from 1917 to his death on October 11, 1939. Raised in Melita Lodge No. 295, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on January 13, 1904. Affiliated with No. 38 on November 11, 1918. Chaplain 1919-1925, and 1939.

Legend: *Raised in Princeton Lodge No. 38.

†Affiliated.

CNJ College of New Jersey.

PTS Princeton Theological Seminary.

PRU Princeton University.

NOTE: Several of the above became members of Princeton Lodge No. 38 when they were students in Princeton Theological Seminary.



SCHAFER BUILDING
350-352 NASSAU STREET
JANUARY 1, 1950

“WHEN COMPOSED OF SEVEN”

1855

W. M. Robert S. Green
 S. W. John H. Margerum
 J. W. Wessell T. Stout
 Treas. John Conover
 Sec. George Thompson
 S. D. George M. Giger
 J. D. Joseph Henderson

1856

Robert S. Green
 John H. Margerum
 Wessell T. Stout
 John Conover
 George Thompson
 George M. Giger
 Joseph Henderson

1857

W. M. George M. Giger
 S. W. John H. Margerum
 J. W. Samuel Paxson
 Treas. John Conover
 Sec. William F. Hutchinson
 S. D. Joseph Henderson
 J. D. George Thompson

1858

George M. Giger
 John H. Margerum
 Samuel Paxson
 John Conover
 William A. Gulick
 Cornelius Van Duyn
 Joseph Henderson

1859

W. M. John H. Margerum
 S. W. Cornelius Van Duyn
 J. W. David R. Love
 Treas. John Conover
 Sec. Crowell Marsh
 S. D. John H. Janeway
 J. D. Oliver H. Bartine

1860

Cornelius Van Duyn
 David R. Love
 Charles O. Hudnut
 John Conover
 Crowell Marsh
 Hugh Smythe
 Henry L. R. VanDyke

1861

W. M. David R. Love
 S. W. Charles O. Hudnut
 J. W. Hugh Smythe
 Treas. John Conover
 Sec. John H. Margerum
 S. D. Henry L. R. VanDyke
 J. D. William A. Gulick

1862

Charles O. Hudnut
 Hugh Smythe
 James H. Wikoff
 John Conover
 James T. L. Anderson
 Crowell Marsh
 Elias C. Baker

1863

W. M. Charles O. Hudnut
 S. W. Hugh Smythe
 J. W. James H. Wikoff
 Treas. John Conover
 Sec. James T. L. Anderson
 S. D. Crowell Marsh
 J. D. Elias C. Baker

1864

Charles O. Hudnut
 John H. Margerum
 Andrew G. Chambers
 John Conover
 Crowell Marsh
 Aaron L. Green
 Marcus H. Krauskopf

1865

W. M. Charles O. Hudnut
 S. W. Aaron L. Green
 J. W. Charles L. Sullivan
 Treas. John Conover
 Sec. Crowell Marsh
 S. D. William W. Stelle
 J. D. Valentine Arnheiter

1866

Charles O. Hudnut
 William W. Stelle
 Amos C. Albertson
 Elias C. Baker
 Crowell Marsh
 Leroy H. Anderson
 Nathaniel H. Furman

1867

W. M. Charles O. Hudnut
 S. W. Aaron L. Green
 J. W. Leroy H. Anderson
 Treas. Marcus H. Krauskopf
 Sec. John Van Duyn
 S. D. Nathaniel H. Furman
 J. D. James L. Briner

1868

Leroy H. Anderson
 William C. Vandewater
 Marcus H. Krauskopf
 Charles O. Hudnut
 John Van Duyn
 Aaron L. Green
 James L. Briner

1869

W. M. William W. Stelle
 S. W. Richard Runyan
 J. W. Edward Sweeney
 Treas. Joseph Priest
 Sec. Charles O. Hudnut
 S. D. William C. Vandewater
 J. D. James L. Briner

1870

Charles O. Hudnut
 Crowell Marsh
 Edward Sweeney
 Joseph Priest
 Richard Runyan
 William C. Vandewater
 James L. Briner

1871

W. M. William C. Vandewater
 S. W. Edward Sweeney
 J. W. James Leggett
 Treas. Joseph Priest
 Sec. Richard Runyan
 S. D. Charles O. Hudnut
 J. D. James L. Briner

1872

William C. Vandewater
 Edward Sweeney
 James L. Briner
 Joseph Priest
 Richard Runyan
 Charles O. Hudnut
 Aaron L. Green

1873

W. M. Charles O. Hudnut
 S. W. James L. Briner
 J. W. Aaron L. Green
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. Robert Priest
 S. D. James Leggett
 J. D. William W. Mershon

1874

Charles O. Hudnut
 James L. Briner
 Aaron L. Green
 Valentine Arnheiter
 Robert Priest
 James Leggett
 William W. Mershon

1875

W. M. Charles O. Hudnut
 S. W. James L. Briner
 J. W. Aaron L. Green
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. Robert Priest
 S. D. James Leggett
 J. D. William A. Duryea

1876

Charles O. Hudnut
 James L. Briner
 Aaron L. Green
 Valentine Arnheiter
 Thomas Wright
 James Leggett
 William A. Duryea

1877

W. M. Richard Runyan
 S. W. William A. Duryea
 J. W. George C. Groendyke
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. Thomas Wright
 S. D. James L. Briner
 J. D. Henry B. Bayles

1878

William C. Vandewater
 Aaron L. Green
 George C. Groendyke
 Valentine Arnheiter
 Charles O. Hudnut
 James L. Briner
 John G. Durner

1879

W. M. William C. Vandewater
 S. W. William W. Mershon
 J. W. Henry B. Bayles
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. Charles O. Hudnut
 S. D. James L. Briner
 J. D. John G. Durner

1880

Henry B. Bayles
 James L. Briner
 John G. Durner
 Valentine Arnheiter
 Crowell Marsh
 George C. Groendyke
 George A. Dohm

1881

W. M. Henry B. Bayles
 S. W. James L. Briner
 J. W. John G. Durner
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. Crowell Marsh
 S. D. Charles O. Hudnut
 J. D. Edward G. Warren

1882

Crowell Marsh
 James L. Briner
 Edward G. Warren
 Valentine Arnheiter
 William A. Duryea
 Charles O. Hudnut
 William W. Mershon

1883

W. M. Crowell Marsh
 S. W. James L. Briner
 J. W. Edward G. Warren
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. William A. Duryea
 S. D. Henry B. Bayles
 J. D. William W. Mershon

1884

Crowell Marsh
 Edwin C. Osborn
 Edward G. Warren
 Valentine Arnheiter
 John W. Fielder, Jr.
 Frank C. Borden
 William W. Mershon

1885

W. M. Edwin C. Osborn
 S. W. Edward G. Warren
 J. W. Frank C. Borden
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. John W. Fielder, Jr.
 S. D. George L. Rogers
 J. D. William W. Mershon

1886

Crowell Marsh
 Frank C. Borden
 John W. Fielder, Jr.
 Valentine Arnheiter
 Charles H. Olden
 George L. Rogers
 George M. Durner

1887

W. M. Crowell Marsh
 S. W. Frank C. Borden
 J. W. John W. Fielder, Jr.
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. Charles H. Olden
 S. D. George L. Rogers
 J. D. George M. Durner

1888

Frank C. Borden
 John W. Fielder, Jr.
 George L. Rogers
 Valentine Arnheiter
 James E. Burke
 William G. Chase
 George M. Durner

1889

W. M. John W. Fielder, Jr.
 S. W. George L. Rogers
 J. W. George M. Durner
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. James E. Burke
 S. D. William G. Chase
 J. D. William G. McTear

1890

John W. Fielder, Jr.
 George L. Rogers
 William G. Chase
 Valentine Arnheiter
 James E. Burke
 William G. McTear
 Charles H. VanMarter

1891

W. M. George L. Rogers
 S. W. William G. Chase
 J. W. William G. McTear
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. James E. Burke
 S. D. Frank C. Borden
 J. D. Charles H. VanMarter

1892

William G. Chase
 William G. McTear
 James E. Burke
 Valentine Arnheiter
 Charles McDermott, Jr.
 Benjamin Gray
 Myron E. La Vake

1893

W. M. William G. McTear
 S. W. James E. Burke
 J. W. Benjamin Gray
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. Charles McDermott, Jr.
 S. D. Charles H. VanMarter
 J. D. John G. Durner

1894

William G. McTear
 James E. Burke
 Benjamin Gray
 Valentine Arnheiter
 Charles McDermott, Jr.
 Charles H. VanMarter
 John G. Durner

1895

W. M. James E. Burke
 S. W. William G. McTear
 J. W. Oliver H. Hubbard
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. Benjamin Gray
 S. D. Charles McDermott, Jr.
 J. D. Edward M. Allen

1896

James E. Burke
 William G. McTear
 Oliver H. Hubbard
 Valentine Arnheiter
 Charles McDermott, Jr.
 Benjamin Gray
 Edward M. Allen

1897

W. M. James E. Burke
 S. W. Oliver H. Hubbard
 J. W. Samuel H. Blackwell
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. William G. McTear
 S. D. John A. Stead
 J. D. Harry H. Kerr

1898

Oliver H. Hubbard
 Samuel H. Blackwell
 John A. Stead
 Valentine Arnheiter
 Harry H. Kerr
 John R. Warren
 J. Morford Stillwell

1899

W. M. Samuel H. Blackwell
 S. W. John A. Stead
 J. W. Ira D. Fulmer
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. Harry H. Kerr
 S. D. George D. Boice
 J. D. J. Morford Stillwell

1900

John A. Stead
 Ira D. Fulmer
 William L. Briner
 Valentine Arnheiter
 Harry H. Kerr
 James K. Hickman
 Wilhelm C. Durner

1901

W. M. John A. Stead
 S. W. Ira D. Fulmer
 J. W. William L. Briner
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. Harry H. Kerr
 S. D. J. Morford Stillwell
 J. D. Charles H. VanMarter

1902

Ira D. Fulmer
 William L. Briner
 J. Morford Stillwell
 Valentine Arnheiter
 Harry H. Kerr
 Theodore D. Vansickel
 Richard R. Rowland

1903

W. M. William L. Briner
 S. W. J. Morford Stillwell
 J. W. Theodore D. VanSickel
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. Harry H. Kerr
 S. D. Richard R. Rowland
 J. D. William R. Matthews

1904

William L. Briner
 J. Morford Stillwell
 Theodore D. VanSickel
 Valentine Arnheiter
 Harry H. Kerr
 Richard R. Rowland
 Louis U. Strassburger

1905

W. M. J. Morford Stillwell
 S. W. Theodore D. VanSickel
 J. W. Richard R. Rowland
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. Harry H. Kerr
 S. D. Louis U. Strassburger
 J. D. George E. Knowles

1906

Theodore D. VanSickel
 Richard R. Rowland
 Louis U. Strassburger
 Valentine Arnheiter
 Harry H. Kerr
 William R. Matthews
 Howard D. Eldridge

1907

W. M. Richard R. Rowland
 S. W. Harry H. Kerr
 J. W. Howard D. Eldridge
 Treas. Valentine Arnheiter
 Sec. William B. MacNamee
 S. D. William C. Sinclair
 J. D. Elias K. Updyke

1908

Harry H. Kerr
 Howard D. Eldridge
 C. Whitney Darrow
 Valentine Arnheiter
 William B. MacNamee
 William C. Sinclair
 William E. Burke

1909

W. M. Howard D. Eldridge
 S. W. C. Whitney Darrow
 J. W. William C. Sinclair
 Treas. Charles A. Waite
 Sec. William E. Burke
 S. D. Edward L. Howe
 J. D. William J. Warren

1910

Howard D. Eldridge
 C. Whitney Darrow
 William C. Sinclair
 Charles A. Waite
 William E. Burke
 Edward L. Howe
 William J. Warren

1911

W. M. C. Whitney Darrow
 S. W. William C. Sinclair
 J. W. Edward L. Howe
 Treas. Charles A. Waite
 Sec. William E. Burke
 S. D. William J. Warren
 J. D. J. Frederick Brown

1912

William C. Sinclair
 William J. Warren
 J. Frederick Brown
 Charles A. Waite
 William E. Burke
 Harry E. Hutchinson
 Wilbur F. Kerr

1913

W. M. William J. Warren
 S. W. J. Frederick Brown
 J. W. Harry E. Hutchinson
 Treas. Charles A. Waite
 Sec. Wilbur F. Kerr
 S. D. William C. Vandewater
 J. D. Marcus S. Farr

1914

J. Frederick Brown
 Harry E. Hutchinson
 William C. Vandewater
 Howard D. Eldridge
 John R. B. Slayback
 Howard E. Wright
 William B. Applegate

1915

W. M. William C. Sinclair
 S. W. Irving W. Mershon
 J. W. Marcus S. Farr
 Treas. Wilbur F. Kerr
 Sec. John R. B. Slayback
 S. D. Walter B. Foster
 J. D. William B. Applegate

1916

Irving W. Mershon
 Marcus S. Farr
 Milford H. Van Cleve
 Wilbur F. Kerr
 John R. B. Slayback
 Peter P. Polhemus
 William L. Briner, Jr.

1917

W. M. Marcus S. Farr
 S. W. Milford H. Van Cleve
 J. W. Peter P. Polhemus
 Treas. Wilbur F. Kerr
 Sec. John R. B. Slayback
 S. D. William L. Briner, Jr.
 J. D. Stanley S. Bergen

1918

Peter P. Polhemus
 William L. Briner, Jr.
 Walter B. Foster
 Wilbur F. Kerr
 John R. B. Slayback
 Charles S. Sincerbeaux
 William B. MacNamee

1919

W. M. William L. Briner, Jr.
 S. W. Walter B. Foster
 J. W. Charles S. Sincerbeaux
 Treas. Wilbur F. Kerr
 Sec. John R. B. Slayback
 S. D. Harry E. Hutchinson
 J. D. W. Henry Sayen

1920

Walter B. Foster
 Charles S. Sincerbeaux
 Harry E. Hutchinson
 Wilbur F. Kerr
 John R. B. Slayback
 Morris Maple
 Alvin F. Bearmore

1921

W. M. Charles S. Sincerbeaux
 S. W. Harry E. Hutchinson
 J. W. Morris Maple
 Treas. Wilbur F. Kerr
 Sec. John R. B. Slayback
 S. D. Kenneth L. Hickman
 J. D. W. Henry Sayen

1922

Harry E. Hutchinson
 Kenneth L. Hickman
 Morris Maple
 Wilbur F. Kerr
 John R. B. Slayback
 W. Henry Sayen
 William M. Maxwell

1923

W. M. Kenneth L. Hickman
 S. W. Morris Maple
 J. W. Wilbur F. Kerr
 Treas. Edward B. Snook
 Sec. John R. B. Slayback
 S. D. Gideon B. Godown
 J. D. Clarence L. Tilton

1924

Morris Maple
 Wilbur F. Kerr
 Gideon B. Godown
 Edward B. Snook
 John R. B. Slayback
 Clarence L. Tilton
 Charles E. Stout

1925

W. M. Wilbur F. Kerr
 S. W. Gideon B. Godown
 J. W. Clarence L. Tilton
 Treas. Edward B. Snook
 Sec. John R. B. Slayback
 S. D. Charles E. Stout
 J. D. Edward V. Baldwin

1926

Gideon B. Godown
 Clarence L. Tilton
 Charles E. Stout
 Edward B. Snook
 John R. B. Slayback
 Raymond F. Woolf
 Thomas J. Mulvey

1927

W. M. Clarence L. Tilton
 S. W. Charles E. Stout
 J. W. Raymond F. Woolf
 Treas. Edward B. Snook
 Sec. John R. B. Slayback
 S. D. Thomas J. Mulvey
 J. D. Harry H. Kerr, Jr.

1928

Charles E. Stout
 Raymond F. Woolf
 Thomas J. Mulvey
 Edward B. Snook
 John R. B. Slayback
 Harry H. Kerr, Jr.
 Grafton C. Mead

1929

W. M. Raymond F. Woolf
 S. W. Harry H. Kerr, Jr.
 J. W. William V. Sessions
 Treas. Edward B. Snook
 Sec. John R. B. Slayback
 S. D. William H. Lahey, Jr.
 J. D. George C. Knaefer

1930

Harry H. Kerr, Jr.
 William H. Lahey, Jr.
 George C. Knaefer
 Edward B. Snook
 John R. B. Slayback
 George B. Rollings, Jr.
 Gerrit V. D. Cortelyou

1931

W. M. William H. Lahey, Jr.
 S. W. George C. Knaefer
 J. W. George B. Rollings, Jr.
 Treas. Edward B. Snook
 Sec. John R. B. Slayback
 S. D. Gerrit V. D. Cortelyou
 J. D. Foster D. Jemison

1932

George C. Knaefer
 George B. Rollings, Jr.
 Gerrit V. D. Cortelyou
 Edward B. Snook
 John R. B. Slayback
 William R. Cooper
 James Pace

1933

W. M. George B. Rollings, Jr.
 S. W. Gerrit V. D. Cortelyou
 J. W. William R. Cooper
 Treas. Edward B. Snook
 Sec. John R. B. Slayback
 S. D. James Pace
 J. D. Carl C. Schafer

1934

Gerrit V. D. Cortelyou
 William R. Cooper
 James Pace
 Edward B. Snook
 John R. B. Slayback
 Carl C. Schafer
 Robert C. Miller

1935

W. M. William R. Cooper
 S. W. James Pace
 J. W. Carl C. Schafer
 Treas. Edward B. Snook
 Sec. John R. B. Slayback
 S. D. Robert C. Miller
 J. D. Ernest G. Hunt

1936

James Pace
 Carl C. Schafer
 Robert C. Miller
 Edward B. Snook
 John R. B. Slayback
 Ernest G. Hunt
 Charles G. Osgood

1937

W. M. Carl C. Schafer
 S. W. Robert C. Miller
 J. W. Ernest G. Hunt
 Treas. Edward B. Snook
 Sec. John R. B. Slayback
 S. D. Charles G. Osgood
 J. D. Arthur V. Holbrow

1938

Robert C. Miller
 Ernest G. Hunt
 Charles G. Osgood
 Edward B. Snook
 John R. B. Slayback
 Arthur V. Holbrow
 George R. Griffing

1939

W. M. Ernest G. Hunt
 S. W. Charles G. Osgood
 J. W. Arthur V. Holbrow
 Treas. Edward B. Snook
 Sec. John R. B. Slayback
 S. D. George R. Griffing
 J. D. Raymond C. Whitlock

1940

Charles G. Osgood
 Arthur V. Holbrow
 George R. Griffing
 Edward B. Snook
 John R. B. Slayback
 Raymond C. Whitlock
 Howard E. Williamson

1941

W. M. Arthur V. Holbrow
 S. W. George R. Griffing
 J. W. Raymond C. Whitlock
 Treas. Edward B. Snook
 Sec. Walter B. Foster
 S. D. Howard E. Williamson
 J. D. Edwin L. Kimble

1942

George R. Griffing
 Raymond C. Whitlock
 Howard E. Williamson
 Edward B. Snook
 Walter B. Foster
 Edwin L. Kimble
 Horace N. Dickey

1943

W. M. Raymond C. Whitlock
 S. W. Edwin L. Kimble
 J. W. Horace N. Dickey
 Treas. Edward B. Snook
 Sec. Walter B. Foster
 S. D. Matthew B. Maxwell
 J. D. Frederick R. Mahan

1944

Edwin L. Kimble
 Horace N. Dickey
 Matthew B. Maxwell
 Edward B. Snook
 Walter B. Foster
 Arnold H. Pierson
 Frederick R. Mahan

1945

W. M. Horace N. Dickey
 S. W. Matthew B. Maxwell
 J. W. Percy Ward
 Treas. Edward B. Snook
 Sec. Walter B. Foster
 S. D. Raymond E. Whitlock
 J. D. Robert L. Harvey

1946

Matthew B. Maxwell
 Percy Ward
 Raymond E. Whitlock
 Edward B. Snook
 Walter B. Foster
 Robert L. Harvey
 Randolph R. Applegate

1947

W. M. Percy Ward
 S. W. Raymond E. Whitlock
 J. W. Robert L. Harvey
 Treas. Edward B. Snook
 Sec. Walter B. Foster
 S. D. Randolph R. Applegate
 J. D. Maurice A. Mather

1948

Raymond E. Whitlock
 Robert L. Harvey
 Randolph R. Applegate
 Edward B. Snook
 Walter B. Foster
 Maurice A. Mather
 James M. Leach

1949

W. M. Robert L. Harvey
 S. W. Randolph R. Applegate
 J. W. Maurice A. Mather
 Treas. Edward B. Snook
 Sec. Walter B. Foster
 S. D. Ralph S. Holmes
 J. D. George Olsen

1950

Randolph R. Applegate
 Maurice A. Mather
 Ralph S. Holmes
 Edward B. Snook
 Walter B. Foster
 George Olsen
 Alfred Meneely

1951

W. M. Maurice A. Mather
 S. W. Ralph S. Holmes
 J. W. George Olsen
 Treas. Edward B. Snook
 Sec. Walter B. Foster
 S. D. Alfred Meneely
 J. D. James H. Cooper

1952

Ralph S. Holmes
 George Olsen
 George J. Knowles
 Edward B. Snook
 Walter B. Foster
 Harold M. Hinkson, Jr.
 Robert H. Schafer

1953

W. M. George Olsen
S. W. George J. Knowles
J. W. Robert H. Schafer
Treas. Edward B. Snook
Sec. Walter B. Foster
S. D. William H. Rhodes
J. D. Robert Drummond

1955

W. M. Robert H. Schafer
S. W. William H. Rhodes
J. W. Robert Drummond
Treas. Edward B. Snook
Sec. Walter B. Foster
S. D. Richard C. Winship
J. D. Milo L. Wadlin

1954

George J. Knowles
Robert H. Schafer
William H. Rhodes
Edward B. Snook
Walter B. Foster
Robert Drummond
Richard C. Winship

1956

William H. Rhodes
Robert Drummond
Richard C. Winship
Edward B. Snook
Walter B. Foster
Milo L. Wadlin
Benjamin Kahn

THEY SERVED AND SACRIFICED

*REVOLUTIONARY WAR

Elijah Davis, Private
Samuel Disbrow, Major
William Henderson, Private

Redford Job, Colonel
Joseph Smith, Captain

*CIVIL WAR

John Conover
Henry H. Covert
Charles Green
Joseph Henderson, wounded
William Henderson, lost an arm
William F. Hutchinson, died in
hospital, of fever
Dr. John H. Janeway
Rev. Joshua B. H. Janeway
John Joline

James Leggett
John H. Margerum, Captain, Co. G,
22nd Regiment, N. J. Volunteers
Morris C. Runyan
Richard Runyan
Peter V. Shann
Symmes H. Stillwell
William C. Vandewater
Foster W. Van Kirk

*Above lists compiled after considerable research, and probably not complete, but as near correct as can be determined at this remote date.

SPANISH-AMERICAN WAR

None

WORLD WAR I

RAYMOND JOHN ARROWSMITH
U. S. Army Engineers
Sergeant
N. J. National Guard, 1921-1927

Apr. 1917—July 1, 1919

HARLAND FELCH BAKER
U. S. Army, Infantry
2nd Lieutenant

June 29, 1918—Jan. 3, 1919

ROBERT ANDERSON BENHAM
U. S. Army, Ambulance Service, Italy
Private 1/C

Dec. 13, 1917—Apr. 27, 1919

ELSTON HUNT BERGEN
U. S. Army, Medical Corps
Major

Aug. 24, 1917—Nov. 11, 1918

ELLIOTT CHIPMAN BROWN U. S. Navy Commander	May 9, 1917—Dec. 23, 1918
WILLIAM RUSSELL CARLISLE U. S. Army, 5th Training Regiment Battalion Sergeant Major	Sep. 22, 1917—June 24, 1919
MARTIN CLAUSEN U. S. Naval Reserve Force Quartermaster 3/C	Dec. 12, 1917—Jan. 9, 1919
EDWARD GRANT CLOTHIER U. S. Army, Infantry	Sep. 9, 1918—Dec. 13, 1918
GERRIT VANDERVEER CORTELYOU U. S. Navy Petty Officer	May 21, 1917—July 3, 1919
RAYMOND VOORHEES CORTELYOU U. S. Navy	July 5, 1918—Feb. 10, 1919
HARRY CLAY DEXTER U. S. Navy Radio Technician	Apr. 26, 1918—Jan. 21, 1919
*JOHN CALVIN ELY, JR. Y. M. C. A. U. S. Navy, Chaplain	Dec. 1, 1917—Aug. 15, 1918 Aug. 15, 1918—Feb. 13, 1919
MARCUS STULTS FARR U. S. Army, Air Service, Balloon Section Captain	Aug. 27, 1917—Sep. 20, 1919
VERNON BOYD FARR U. S. Army, Field Artillery Sergeant	Sep. 19, 1917—Jan. 30, 1918
ELAM KNOTT FEE U. S. Army, Medical Corps Captain	Sep. 23, 1917—Apr. 15, 1919
HARVEY EDWARD FISK, JR. U. S. N. R. F., Pay Corps Ensign	June 6, 1918—Feb. 15, 1919
JACOB WALTER GROENDYKE U. S. Army, Infantry 1st Lieutenant	Sep. 19, 1917—Jan. 25, 1919

* Died in service on Board U. S. S. Melville, in New York Harbor.

CHARLES LACY HALL Regular Army, General Staff, World Wars I and II U. S. Army, Engineers Colonel Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster (1st War) Army Commendation Ribbon (2nd War) Distinguished Service Medal (2nd War)	June 16, 1904—July 15, 1948
HENRY STEPHEN HARVEY U. S. Army, Air Service 2nd Lieutenant	Oct. 7, 1918—Dec. 31, 1918
CARL ADDISON HEIGHT U. S. Army, 25th Co., Depot Brigade Supply Sergeant	May 6, 1918—Nov. 28, 1918
HAROLD MELVILLE HINKSON, SR. U. S. Army, Infantry Corporal	May 28, 1918—July 8, 1919
EDWARD LEAVITT HOWE Y. M. C. A., with the Italian Army	Aug. 1, 1918—Mar. 4, 1919
LESTER VALENTINE HOWETT U. S. Army, Field Service With the French Army	June 6, 1917—Apr. 29, 1919
NATHANIEL BRITTON JOHNSON U. S. Marine Corps 2nd Lieutenant	July 26, 1917—Jan. 17, 1919
ROB ROY JOHNSON U. S. Army, Engineers (M. P. E. C.) Sergeant	Sep. 27, 1917—Feb. 21, 1919
LUTHER GOODRICH JONES U. S. Army, Engineers Sergeant Major	July 14, 1917—Feb. 24, 1919
CURT OSCAR HUGO KAYSER U. S. Army, Machine Gun Battalion 14th Division Lieutenant Colonel	Apr. 16, 1917—Apr. 28, 1919
DAVID STEPHEN LLOYD, JR. U. S. Army, 336 Machine Gun Battalion Private 1/C	May 28, 1918—Mar. 22, 1919
WILLIAM ALEXANDER MACDONALD U. S. Navy, Regular Service Lieutenant	Aug. 4, 1891—Oct. 31, 1925

EDWARD ALLEN MACMILLAN U. S. Army, 1st Engineers Captain	May 8, 1917—July 9, 1919
MILNOR RAYMOND McDOWELL U. S. Army, General Supply Train 1st Lieutenant	June 19, 1917—Apr. 7, 1920
HENRY LYNDON McMILLAN U. S. Army Engineers Major	June 28, 1917—Dec. 5, 1918
WILLARD GREENBERRY RAINEY U. S. Army Private 1/C	Discharged December, 1918, after a brief period of service
GEORGE BENJAMIN ROLLINGS, SR. U. S. Army, Engineers Mechanic	Sep. 21, 1917—June 27, 1919
HERBERT FRANCIS RORER U. S. Army, Medical Corps Corporal	Mar. 12, 1918—June 12, 1919
DWIGHT WILLIAM SALTER U. S. Army, Air Service 2nd Lieutenant	July 27, 1917—Jan. 2, 1919
WILLIAM HENRY SAYEN Y. M. C. A.	May 1, 1918—Jan. 7, 1919
CHARLES FREDERICK SILVESTER U. S. Army, Infantry, Machine Gun Co. Captain	Mar. 28, 1917—July 1, 1920
EDWARD BAUMANN SNOOK U. S. Army, Motor Transport Corps, Q. M. C. Sergeant	Jan. 29, 1918—July 15, 1919
RICHARD STOCKTON U. S. Army, Infantry, Machine Gun Co. Captain	May 12, 1917—May 29, 1919
CHARLES EDWARD STOUT U. S. Army, Machine Gun Co., 113th Infantry 1st Lieutenant	Mar. 17, 1917—Mar. 17, 1919
PAUL ROPER TURPIN U. S. Army, Air Service 1st Lieutenant	Oct. 27, 1909—Feb. 14, 1922

MILFORD HAGAMAN VANCLEVE U. S. Army, Postal Express Service Sergeant	May 28, 1918—Aug. 23, 1919
WILLIAM COLLINS VANDEWATER U. S. Army, Infantry Captain	May 14, 1917—June 10, 1919
JOSEPH STEPHENS VANNEMAN U. S. Army, Medical Corps 1st Lieutenant	July 29, 1918—Dec. 31, 1918

WORLD WAR II

LESTER RAYMOND ANDERSON U. S. Army, Signal Corps Staff Sergeant	Apr. 10, 1942—Sep. 27, 1945
RAYMOND JOHN ARROWSMITH U. S. Coast Guard Chief Boatswain's Mate	Mar. 25, 1942—July 24, 1945
ROBERT WILSON ASHBOCK U. S. Army, Signal Corps First Sergeant	July 19, 1937—July 18, 1940 Feb. 4, 1941—Aug. 30, 1945
HARLAND FELCH BAKER U. S. Army, Air Corps Major	Apr. 17, 1942—Apr. 22, 1946
THOMAS WILLIAM BARNES U. S. Army, Air Force, Ordnance Dept. 1st Lieutenant	Mar. 2, 1942—Mar. 15, 1945
ROLAND PERCIVAL BEATTIE II U. S. Army, Air Force 1st Lieutenant	Feb. 12, 1943—Dec. 25, 1945
FRANK JAMES BURKS U. S. Army, Ordnance Corps Colonel	July 24, 1940—
RUSSELL PAUL CARTER U. S. Army, Air Corps Corporal	Aug. 17, 1942—Aug. 2, 1944
CHARLES HORACE CHANDLER U. S. Army, Signal Corps 2nd Lieutenant	Sep. 1, 1941—Feb. 26, 1946

JOSEPH GRUNDY DIXON U. S. Army, Infantry, Hq. ETO Major	Jan. 2, 1942—May 20, 1946
ALEXANDER BARCLAY DONALD U. S. Army, Signal Corps Technical Sergeant	Feb. 12, 1941—Nov. 15, 1945
JAMES LEON DOUGHERTY U. S. Navy Yeoman 3/C	Oct. 7, 1942—Oct. 22, 1945
*CHARLES ADDISON DOWNS U. S. Army, 82nd Armored Reconnaissance Battalion, 2nd Armored Division Private 1/C	Aug. 24, 1943—Aug. 7, 1944
LEWIS SLOCUM DRAKE U. S. Army, Anti-Aircraft Service Sergeant	July 28, 1943—Feb. 2, 1946
ROBERT DRUMMOND U. S. Army, Air Corps Staff Sergeant	July 13, 1943—Oct. 31, 1945
ARTHUR ALBERT FOY U. S. Army, Engineers Corps 1st Lieutenant	Mar. 4, 1941—Jan. 16, 1946 Feb. 14, 1952—Feb. 20, 1953
EDWARD ALEXANDER GREY U. S. Naval Reserve Lieutenant, Civil Engineering Corps Released as Commander, CEC	Feb. 20, 1942—Dec. 24, 1945
CHARLES LACEY HALL Regular Army, General Staff, World Wars I and II U. S. Army, Engineers Colonel Purple Heart with Oak Leaf Cluster (1st War) Army Commendation Ribbon (2nd War) Distinguished Service Medal (2nd War)	June 16, 1904—July 15, 1948
CHARLES WESTLEY HANNA U. S. Navy Petty Officer 3/C	May 8, 1944—Dec. 21, 1945
HAROLD MELVILLE HINKSON, JR. U. S. Army, Infantry Reserve 2nd Lieutenant	Sep. 23, 1942—Dec. 25, 1943

*Had received only the E. A. Degree. Killed in action at St. Lo, Normandy, France, August 7, 1944.

RICHARD HOCKING U. S. Army, Air Corps Flight Officer	May 9, 1943—Sep. 27, 1945
ARTHUR THOMAS HOLBROW U. S. Coast Guard Motor Machinist Mate 2/C	July 6, 1942—Nov. 28, 1945
WILLIAM HENRY KARCH U. S. Navy Petty Officer 3/C	Sep. 21, 1950—Apr. 9, 1954
NATHAN KASREL U. S. N. R., Medical Corps Specialist Lieutenant (j.g.)	Aug. 13, 1942—Apr. 20, 1946
JOSEPH JOHN KATONA U. S. Navy Boatswain's Mate 2/C	Apr. 26, 1950—Feb. 10, 1954
GEORGE JONATHAN KNOWLES U. S. N. R. Gunner's Mate 1/C	Sep. 1, 1942—Sep. 2, 1945
WILLIAM HENRY LAHEY U. S. Army, Air Corps Captain	July 5, 1942—Nov. 20, 1945
EVERITT MORGAN LEWIS U. S. Army, Infantry Technician, Fifth Grade	Sep. 4, 1943—Oct. 4, 1945
DAVID STEPHEN LLOYD, 3RD U. S. Army, Field Artillery 1st Lieutenant	Mar. 25, 1943—Apr. 23, 1946
WILLIAM ALEXANDER MACDONALD U. S. Navy Lieutenant Commander	Sep. 15, 1942—July 6, 1945
EDWARD ALLEN MACMILLAN U. S. Army, Engineers Corps Colonel, General Staff	Feb. 26, 1941—Jan. 23, 1946
DIRAN MARTIN MAJARIAN U. S. Army, Dental Corps Major	Nov. 14, 1942—Dec. 4, 1944
JOHN VOORHEES MAPLE U. S. Navy Petty Officer 2/C	Aug. 10, 1943—Oct. 30, 1945

ROWLAND ARTHUR MARPLE U. S. Navy, Aviation Electronics Technician Mate 3/C	June 13, 1944—Feb. 9, 1946
MAURICE ABRAM MATHER U. S. Army, Air Service 506th Parachute Infantry, Airborne Division T/Sgt	July 28, 1944—July 5, 1946
JOHN EDGAR MOOMAW, JR. U. S. Navy Reserve Seaman 1/C	June 16, 1945—Aug. 19, 1946
WILLIAM THOMAS OLDENBURG U. S. Army, Air Force Staff Sergeant	July 8, 1943—Nov. 7, 1945
MALCOLM HORACE OLESON U. S. Army, Quartermaster Corps 1st Lieutenant	June 27, 1941—Feb. 6, 1946
WESLEY HUDSON OWENS U. S. Navy Storekeeper Disbursing, 1/C	Aug. 10, 1942—July 30, 1945
CHESTER ANTHONY PAGE U. S. N. R. Chief Motor Machinist Mate	Sep. 29, 1942—Sep. 29, 1945
JACK FRANKLIN PIERSON U. S. Coast Guard Motor Machinist Mate 1/C	June 3, 1942—Feb. 25, 1946
WILLARD GREENBERRY RAINEY U. S. Navy Commissioned Lt. Commander, Jan., 1943 Promoted to Commander, 1945	Feb. 3, 1943—Ordered to inactive duty November, 1945; still holds rank as a retired officer
WILLIAM MOUNT RIGGS U. S. Army, 12th Armored Division Corporal	Oct. 26, 1942—June 30, 1945
GEORGE BENJAMIN ROLLINGS, JR. U. S. Army, Air Force Sergeant	Aug. 26, 1943—Mar. 14, 1946
TORLEIV ROSEFJORD U. S. Army, Military Police Corps N. Y. National Guard, 1928-1941 Lieutenant Colonel	Feb. 28, 1941—Mar. 4, 1946
VINCENT NEWTON SASSMAN U. S. Army, Air Corps Sergeant	Feb. 4, 1943—Feb. 9, 1946

EUGENE FRECK SEAL, JR. U. S. Army, Air Force Sergeant	Aug. 10, 1942—Oct. 27, 1945
PAUL TUTT STAFFORD U. S. Naval Reserve Lieutenant Commander	June 1, 1942—Sep. 25, 1945
BENJAMIN ROBERT STEWART U. S. Army, Medical Corps Sergeant	July 4, 1943—Mar. 20, 1946
JOHN ALEXANDER STEWART U. S. Navy Lieutenant Commander	Dec. 13, 1942—Nov. 15, 1945
FREDERICK A. STRUVE, JR. U. S. Navy Lieutenant Commander	July 2, 1942—Aug. 30, 1946
JOHN GRIGGS STRYKER U. S. Army, Field Artillery Staff Sergeant	Feb. 19, 1942—Nov. 16, 1945
WALTER MERRILL WEBER, JR. U. S. Army Sergeant	Aug. 20, 1951—Aug. 19, 1954
ALBERT MILLER WERT, JR. U. S. Army, Air Force Sergeant	Nov. 4, 1942—Feb. 19, 1946
RICHARD COMSTOCK WINSHIP U. S. Army, 9th Air Force Corporal	Oct. 15, 1942—Oct. 19, 1945
JOHN GEORGE YENCHER	In U. S. Army Service over 37 years from September 19, 1917 to January 31, 1955. Served in World Wars I and II. Participated in campaigns in North Africa, Sicily, France and England. Injured during the bombing of London. Awarded Purple Heart Order. Citation from General Jacques, of the French Army of North Africa.
JOHN CORNELIUS YEOMAN U. S. Army, Infantry Staff Sergeant	Feb. 8, 1945—Dec. 3, 1946 Sep. 18, 1950—Sep. 15, 1951

NOTE: Several of those who served in World Wars I and II became members of Princeton Lodge No. 38 after their discharge from service.

ROSTER OF MEMBERS

Ackerman, Charles Mellinger	Apr. 13, 1914
Aeschbacher, Prosper	Apr. 10, 1950
Akroyd, Dennis	Mar. 5, 1923
Amick, James Albert	Apr. 30, 1954
Anderson, Lester Raymond, Jr.	Apr. 15, 1946
Applegate, Randolph Elliott	Nov. 22, 1943
Applegate, Randolph Ryerson	Nov. 22, 1943
Applegate, William Bloom	May 27, 1912
Archer, John Anthony	Oct. 26, 1942
Arrowsmith, Clark	Apr. 15, 1928
Arrowsmith, Raymond John	Nov. 26, 1937
Ashbock, Robert Wilson	Mar. 25, 1946
Baker, Harland Felch	Apr. 25, 1955—Mar. 6, 1922
Baldwin, Edward VanMarter	June 23, 1913
Barbour, Howard Francis	Oct. 28, 1943
Barnes, Thomas William	May 28, 1945
Barton, Loy Edgar	Apr. 26, 1954
Bastedo, Walter	June 7, 1920
Beattie, Roland Percival II	May 10, 1943
Beiswinger, Louis Wilson	Sep. 11, 1950
Benham, Robert Anderson	Nov. 5, 1923
Berven, Raymond Sigurd	Feb. 12, 1951
*Birch, Frank	June 27, 1949—Aug. 26, 1926
Bliss, John Fraser	Feb. 9, 1948
Boyd, William Mehorter	May 22, 1950
*Braden, Rene Albert	May 25, 1953—May 7, 1924
Brian, Richard	Nov. 26, 1928
Brickley, Raymond Calvert	Nov. 26, 1951
Briggs, Joseph Abner	May 9, 1949
Briggs, William Edward	Apr. 15, 1929
Britton, Raymond Higgins	Mar. 25, 1918
Brown, Douglass	Nov. 8, 1948
*Bruce, John Skea	June 12, 1950—Jan. 17, 1916
*Bunn, Benjamin Franklin	Oct. 12, 1908—Oct. 10, 1905
Burks, Frank James	Jan. 5, 1925
Buxton, Frank	Mar. 22, 1943
Buxton, Richard	Nov. 8, 1948
Cameron, William	June 28, 1954
Carlisle, William Russell	Nov. 22, 1936
Carter, Russell Paul	July 8, 1946
Case, Arthur William	Nov. 26, 1928
Chandler, Charles Horace	June 9, 1952
Chaput, Richard Philias	June 28, 1954
Clark, Albert Frederick	Sep. 19, 1947

*Clarke, William Jones	July 9, 1923—Nov. 25, 1902
Conley, Thomas Raymond	Sep. 19, 1947
Conover, George Walter	Apr. 10, 1950
Conover, Walter Fred, Jr.	Apr. 10, 1950
Cooper, James Horatio	Mar. 22, 1948
Cooper, William Robert	Feb. 25, 1929
Cortelyou, Gerrit VanDerVeer	Sep. 19, 1921
Cortelyou, Raymond Voorhees	Mar. 25, 1918
*Cowan, Edward James	Apr. 14, 1952—Nov. 10, 1926
Craig, Thomas Alexander	June 28, 1954
Cramer, George Francis	Nov. 22, 1954
Crandall, Wallace Frederick	Sep. 23, 1940
Creager, Edwin Frederick	Apr. 28, 1947
*Creager, Frederick Leon	Jan. 14, 1946—Jan. 21, 1916
Crowell, Eldridge Baxter	Oct. 30, 1922
Crum, Harry Watson	May 7, 1923
Cruser, Joseph Simon	May 7, 1923
Caster, Frank Archie	Apr. 25, 1955
Darrow, Charles Whitney	May 28, 1906
Davenport, Ralph John	Feb. 28, 1910
Dawes, Kenneth Janney	Nov. 26, 1937
Dean, Wilfrid	June 29, 1922
Dertouzos, Nicholas	Mar. 21, 1924
Dey, Charles Lawrence	May 22, 1950
*Dickey, Horace Norton	Jan. 13, 1930—Nov. 24, 1920
Dixon, Joseph Grundy	Sep. 27, 1948
Dohm, Augustus	Sep. 14, 1903
Donald, Alexander Barclay	Apr. 10, 1950
Douglas, Norman	Mar. 27, 1944
Drake, George Washington	Mar. 24, 1941
Drake, Lewis Slocum	Mar. 24, 1941
Drummond, Robert	Mar. 22, 1948
Durner, Wilhelm Conrad	June 24, 1895
Ellis, Charles Johnson	Mar. 22, 1943
Erdman, Charles Rosenbury, Jr.	Nov. 23, 1936
Evans, Joseph Stevens	Dec. 29, 1913
Fackenthall, Carl Jackson, Jr.	April 15, 1946
Farran, George Arch	Mar. 21, 1924
Fell, Chester Winfield	Apr. 14, 1919
Fernsler, George Louis	Nov. 27, 1944
Fike, Paul Everett Coffman	May 7, 1923
Fleet, Walter Richards	Nov. 25, 1935
Foster, John Warren	June 28, 1948
Foster, Walter Brooks	June 23, 1913
*Foulk, William Burt	Mar. 14, 1938—Oct. 15, 1919
Fox, Thomas Lahey	Oct. 22, 1923

Foy, Arthur Albert	Sep. 11, 1950
*Fraser, James	Feb. 24, 1930—Sep. 26, 1912
Fraser, Robert Lorne	Mar. 27, 1944
Freeman, Harold Hasbrook	Dec. 29, 1919
Gerber, Stuart Richard	May 22, 1950
Gilliland, Walter Charles	Mar. 25, 1946
Godown, Gideon Brewer	Nov. 25, 1919
*Goyette, Wilbur William	May 28, 1949—June 21, 1922
Gratton, Walter Harry	Dec. 20, 1926
Greene, John James	Feb. 4, 1946
Greey, Edward Alexander	June 25, 1928
Griffing, George Ryerson	Mar. 17, 1930
Gulick, Bertrand Littell, Jr.	Feb. 21, 1927
Hanna, Charles Westley	Mar. 27, 1944
Hartley, Allen Walmsley	June 28, 1948
*Harvey, Robert Lee	Sep. 13, 1943—Oct. 18, 1940
Haulenbeek, Alfred Baker	Sep. 25, 1939
*Hazeltime, Arthur Neilson	May 13, 1946—June 1, 1915
Hickman, Newton Woods	Nov. 26, 1917
Hinkson, Harold Melville, Sr.	Apr. 22, 1918
Hinkson, Harold Melville, Jr.	May 9, 1949
Hoagland, Alvin Jacob	June 28, 1943
Hocking, Richard	Mar. 23, 1945
*Hoffman, Walter Harry	June 13, 1910—Feb. 28, 1910
Hohl, Henry David, Jr.	Mar. 26, 1951
Holbrow, Arthur Thomas	Apr. 7, 1943
*Holbrow, Arthur Victor	Nov. 23, 1932—May 15, 1915
Holmes, Ralph Shera	Oct. 28, 1946
*Homrighausen, Elmer George	Dec. 24, 1940—Dec. 17, 1928
Howett, Lester Valentine	May 21, 1917
Huber, Charles Darwin	May 23, 1931
Huegi, Charles	Apr. 28, 1930
Hulit, Ronald Augustus	Mar. 22, 1943
Hullfish, William Rouse	Mar. 22, 1943
*Hume, David Scott	Feb. 14, 1927—Dec. 12, 1919
Hunt, Ernest George	Mar. 5, 1923
Hunter, John Martin	Sep. 19, 1947
Hunter, William	June 11, 1951
Hutchinson, Harry Elijah	Dec. 19, 1910
Hutchinson, Robert Maskiell	June 28, 1946
*Hymerling, Leonard Manuel	Sep. 12, 1949—Nov. 17, 1944
Jaeckel, William Robert, Sr.	June 9, 1952
Jemison, Foster Duncan	Jan. 5, 1925
Johnson, Edmund DeWitt	Sep. 11, 1950
Johnson, Edmund DeWitt, Jr.	Apr. 26, 1954

Kahn, Benjamin	June 9, 1952
Kaplan, Louis	Dec. 29, 1919
Karch, William Henry	Dec. 12, 1949
Karch, William Martin	Dec. 19, 1921
Kasrel, Nathan	Oct. 27, 1952
Katona, Joseph	Feb. 23, 1953
Katona, Joseph John	June 28, 1954
*Kayser, Curt Oscar Hugo	Dec. 11, 1922—Jan. 5, 1911
Keen, Paul Edwin	Mar. 23, 1914
Keller, Gene Herbert	Apr. 30, 1954
Kerr, Ernest Ridgway	May 27, 1907
Kerr, Harry Holloway	Nov. 5, 1923
Kerr, Wilbur Frank	Mar. 22, 1909
Kimble, Edwin Lockard	Nov. 26, 1934
Kimble, Ralph Birchall	Nov. 26, 1934
Knaefler, George Casimir	July 7, 1924
Knowles, George Jonathan	Sep. 27, 1948
Konietzko, William Harvey	June 22, 1931
*Konover, Wesley Ambrose	Feb. 8, 1954—Oct. 12, 1944
Kraus, Leonard Frederick	Nov. 26, 1928
Lahey, William Henry	Feb. 18, 1924
Lahiere, Jacques	Dec. 20, 1926
Lander, Mehnert	Apr. 23, 1920
*Landwehr, Edward Chester	Apr. 12, 1948—Mar. 26, 1919
Langdown, Richard	Apr. 7, 1924
Lanzara, Michael Angelis	Feb. 23, 1953
Latham, Samuel Richard	Nov. 22, 1920
LaVake, Myron Edgar, Jr.	Mar. 10, 1952
Lawrence, Elwood Jemison	July 7, 1924
Leach, James Martin	May 28, 1945
*Lee, Lionel James	Jan. 26, 1925—Mar. 19, 1910
Lehman, George William	Sep. 14, 1953
Lehnert, Fred	Apr. 10, 1950
Leigh, Van Buren	Mar. 10, 1919
Lewis, Everitt Morgan	June 28, 1948
Lloyd, David Stephen, Jr.	Nov. 25, 1919
Lloyd, David Stephen III	Oct. 28, 1946
Lloyd, Edward Lungren, Sr.	June 28, 1943
Luginbuhl, Ernest Werner	Mar. 23, 1931
Luttmann, Frederick William	May 27, 1907
Mack, Clarence William	Mar. 26, 1951
MacMillan, Edward Allen	Apr. 23, 1917
MacNamee, William B.	Mar. 30, 1903
*Madsen, Magnus	Jan. 14, 1952—May 2, 1944
Mahan, Edward William	Dec. 8, 1930
Mahan, Frederick Reister	Nov. 26, 1937
Majarian, Diran Martin	Apr. 15, 1929

Maple, John Voorhees	July 8, 1946
Maple, Morris	Mar. 10, 1919
*Marck, Andrew	Nov. 8, 1954—Nov. 30, 1918
Marck, John	Apr. 26, 1954
Marple, Rowland Arthur	Mar. 27, 1944
Mather, Maurice Abram	May 12, 1941
Mather, Samuel Southard	May 26, 1919
Maxwell, Matthew Baird	Oct. 24, 1932
McAuliffe, John Edward, Jr.	Feb. 23, 1953
McMillan, Henry Lyndon	Dec. 28, 1908
Meneely, Alfred	Feb. 9, 1948
Mershon, Irving Warren	Dec. 14, 1908
Mey, Otto Richard	June 8, 1925
Miller, Lester	July 7, 1924
Miller, Robert Carter	Mar. 23, 1931
Moomaw, John Edgar, Jr.	June 11, 1951
Morris, Arthur James	May 28, 1945
Morris, Arthur William	May 28, 1945
Morrissey, Frank	Nov. 14, 1921
Muchmore, Boyd Moreland	Nov. 5, 1923
Nelson, Ingvard Marius	Jan. 26, 1914
Ness, Henry Peter	Apr. 28, 1947
Oldenburg, Aubrey William	Oct. 24, 1932
Oldenburg, William	Feb. 27, 1928
Oldenburg, William Thomas	Apr. 15, 1946
Oleson, Malcolm Horace	May 31, 1946
Olsen, George	Mar. 25, 1946
Osgood, Charles Grosvenor	Mar. 28, 1932
Owens, John Wesley	Nov. 23, 1953
*Owens, Wesley Hudson	Jan. 8, 1951—Dec. 4, 1933
Pace, James	Feb. 21, 1927
Page, Chester Anthony	May 31, 1945
Painter, Bertram William	Feb. 21, 1927
Payson, William Skiddy	Mar. 22, 1948
*Pearson, Harold Aaron	Mar. 14, 1932—Nov. 14, 1924
Peresett, Donald Francis	Mar. 26, 1951
*Peskin, Julius	June 28, 1937—Oct. 10, 1927
Pessell, Johannes Frederick	Apr. 7, 1924
Peters, Adam Cranstoun	Apr. 22, 1918
Pettit, Karl Dravo, Jr.	Sep. 14, 1953
*Peyton, Hamilton Stewart	Apr. 14, 1952—Oct. 7, 1938
Pierson, Arnold Hadley	Mar. 6, 1922
Pierson, Charles	Feb. 27, 1928
Pierson, Frank	May 26, 1919
Pierson, Jack Franklin	May 31, 1946
*Pitt, John Lawrence	Dec. 23, 1935—Feb. 3, 1927
Poole, Hobart Bruere	Nov. 5, 1923

Rainey, Willard Greenberry	Nov. 22, 1954
Reed, Ernest Weller	Sep. 19, 1947
*Reeve, Malvern	Dec. 22, 1924—Dec. 19, 1895
Rhodes, William Henry	June 11, 1951
Riggs, William Mount	Oct. 27, 1952
*Riker, Isaac Russell	Mar. 23, 1925—Jan. 25, 1917
Rollings, George Benjamin, Sr.	Nov. 14, 1921
Rollings, George Benjamin, Jr.	Apr. 30, 1954
Roos, Roscoe VanSkite	Oct. 27, 1952
*Rosfjord, Arne Christian	June 23, 1952—Oct. 10, 1947
Rosfjord, Torliev	July 8, 1946
Rowland, Frederick Andrews	Feb. 8, 1904
Rudy, Raymond Earl	June 9, 1952
Rue, Norman Anthony Cuthbert, Jr.	Mar. 26, 1951
Rule, Marvin Eldridge	Nov. 26, 1945
Russ, John Joseph	Apr. 25, 1955
Russell, Argie Hoyle	Apr. 23, 1933
Salter, Dwight William	May 29, 1916
Sands, George Hilton	Sep. 11, 1950
Sassman, Vincent Newton	Nov. 26, 1951
*Sayen, William Henry	Oct. 12, 1914—June 24, 1909
Schafer, Carl Conrad, Sr.	Mar. 23, 1931
Schafer, Carl Conrad, Jr.	Nov. 26, 1951
Schafer, Robert Henry	May 9, 1949
Scharf, Paul Bruno	Apr. 26, 1954
Schisler, Charles Wesley	Sep. 23, 1940
Schlegel, John Woolverton, Jr.	May 31, 1946
Schlegel, Rudolph Kuser	Feb. 23, 1953
Schnerr, Chester John	Sep. 14, 1953
*Seyfarth, Jacob Frederick	May 28, 1928—Apr. 3, 1903
Shaffer, Clarence Clair	June 22, 1921
Shearer, John	June 9, 1952
Sherman, Louis Miller	June 11, 1951
Silvester, George Winneford Putnam	June 9, 1930
Silvester, Gerald Grove	Nov. 28, 1955
Silvester, Percival Beaton, Jr.	Nov. 23, 1953
Silvester, Robert Hendrickson	Nov. 28, 1955
Sincerbeaux, Charles Silas	Nov. 23, 1914
Slayback, Harry Roger	Dec. 12, 1949
Slayback, John Roscoe Blackwell	May 9, 1904
Smith, Burwell Bassett	Apr. 20, 1925
Smith, Chester Raymond, Sr.	Feb. 12, 1951
Smith, David	Nov. 26, 1951
Smith, James Fisher	Mar. 27, 1916
Smith, John Harry	Nov. 26, 1937
Smith, Jefferson Russell	Mar. 26, 1926
Smith, Oliver Howard	Mar. 21, 1924
Smith, Stanley Maple	Dec. 3, 1923

Snedeker, Earl Kenneth	Nov. 26, 1945
Snook, Edward Baumann	May 29, 1916
Snook, Theodore Alfred	Oct. 27, 1952
Sohl, Harry Lewis	Apr. 22, 1918
Spangenberg, Samuel Murray	Mar. 27, 1944
*Spessard, Orville Tutwiler	Oct. 9, 1933—Apr. 10, 1924
Stafford, Paul Tutt	May 22, 1950
Staller, Alfred William	June 28, 1948
Stewart, Benjamin Albert	Feb. 18, 1924
Stewart, Benjamin Robert	Dec. 9, 1946
*Stewart, John Alexander	Jan. 11, 1943—May 25, 1925
Stewart, Thomas Robert	Feb. 18, 1924
Stillwell, Joseph Morford	Feb. 10, 1896
Stillwell, Oscar Symmes	Apr. 26, 1915
Stout, Charles Edward	Apr. 11, 1921
Stout, Ernest H.	Apr. 11, 1921
Stout, John Livingston	Apr. 26, 1915
Strubee, Henry Johann	Oct. 28, 1946
Struve, Frederick A.	Mar. 25, 1907
Stryker, Charles Rule	Dec. 19, 1921
Stryker, John Griggs	Dec. 12, 1949
Swanson, Arthur Andre	May 3, 1915
Talbot, Jack	May 24, 1920
Taylorson, Ewart Stanley	Jan. 26, 1914
Thiel, Charles	Apr. 25, 1955
Thom, William Taylor, Jr.	Nov. 26, 1928
Tilton, Thomas DeCou	Mar. 10, 1952
Tilton, William Furman	May 24, 1926
*Tippetts, Charles Sanford	Jan. 24, 1921—June 26, 1918
*Tucker, William LeGrand	Jan. 13, 1941—June 4, 1923
Turney, David Samuel	Oct. 24, 1932
*Underwood, Glenn Eugene	Jan. 9, 1950—Dec. 7, 1937
Updike, Harold	June 28, 1948
Updike, Irving Manners	Jan. 13, 1930
Van Cleve, Milford Hagaman	May 27, 1912
Vandenberge, John	Feb. 13, 1933
Van Horn, Edward Delose	Nov. 26, 1928
Van Sciver, Lloyd Benjamin	June 9, 1930
von Nordheim, Carl Hillmer	Oct. 28, 1929
Vey, John Pettey	Apr. 30, 1954
Vicino, Santo, Jr.	Nov. 28, 1955
Wadlin, Milo Lewis	Mar. 10, 1952
Walmsley, Charles	June 25, 1928
Ward, Percy	Oct. 26, 1925
Warren, Henry Eifert	Apr. 14, 1910

Warren, Ira Sankey	Oct. 22, 1923
Watlington, Thomas Guy	July 8, 1946
Weart, Edgar Griggs	Dec. 19, 1921
*Weber, Walter Merrill, Sr.	Apr. 25, 1932—Feb. 21, 1924
Weber, Walter Merrill, Jr.	Apr. 30, 1954
*Weigel, Charles	Feb. 10, 1930—Mar. 12, 1918
Weiss, Irwin William	June 28, 1954
Wert, Albert Miller, Sr.	July 26, 1920
Wert, Albert Miller, Jr.	Oct. 28, 1946
Wesp, Adam Charles	May 22, 1939
Wheatley, Edwin Llewellyn	Sep. 14, 1953
White, Harlan Lee	June 28, 1943
Whitlock, Raymond Cheesman	Apr. 15, 1929
Whitlock, Raymond Edward	June 28, 1943
Williamson, Howard Ernest	Mar. 28, 1932
Wilson, Harry	Apr. 25, 1955
*Winship, Richard Comstock	June 11, 1951—Jan. 23, 1943
Woolf, Raymond Francis	Dec. 19, 1921
Yard, Arthur Blackwell	Nov. 23, 1953
Yenchar, John George	Dec. 7, 1925
Yeoman, John Cornelius	Nov. 26, 1951
Yeoman, William Russell	Apr. 25, 1955

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*Affiliated.

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Charles M. Ackerman
William B. Applegate
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John S. Bruce
B. Franklin Bunn
William J. Clarke
Frederick L. Creager
C. Whitney Darrow
Ralph J. Davenport
Augustus Dohm
Wilhelm C. Durner
Joseph S. Evans
Walter B. Foster
James Fraser
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William H. Sayen
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Charles S. Sincerbeaux
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Oscar S. Stillwell
John L. Stout
Frederick A. Struve
Arthur A. Swanson
Ewart S. Taylerson
Milford H. Van Cleve

Through our West Gate have come petitioners from all walks of life—professor and student, teacher and scholar, mechanic and clerk, clergy and laity—all seeking the great light of Freemasonry with its salutary influence upon, and uplift of, mankind. At the present writing there are 344 members on the roster, many of whom have journeyed far and settled in other localities, but retain their Masonic home in Princeton Lodge.

We now cease from labor and go on refreshment, with the hope that this recital will be of interest and enlightenment to the members. From such an illustrious past as we have enjoyed, let us gather renewed interest and zeal in the welfare of the Craft in general and of Princeton Lodge in particular. May we of the present day and generation rightly interpret and understand its symbolism and teachings, and rededicate and reconsecrate ourselves to the sublime and eternal principles of our beloved Fraternity, having always in mind the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man.

“and, departing, leave behind us
footprints on the sands of time.”

—*Longfellow* (A Psalm of Life)

SO MOTE IT BE

* Deceased.



IN MEMORIAM

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE CRAFT
IN AND ABOUT PRINCETON
WHO HAVE BEEN SUMMONED BY
THE GRAND MASTER OF THE UNIVERSE
TO DWELL IN "THAT HOUSE NOT MADE
WITH HANDS, ETERNAL IN THE HEAVENS"

Strange—is it not?—that of the myriads who
Before us passed the door of Darkness through,
Not one returns to tell us of the road
Which, to discover, we must travel too.

Omar Khayyam—Rubaiyat.

